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United Lutheran Church in America

The 62nd Annual Convention

HELD IN ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Leigh, Nebraska

THE REV. G. GIESCHEN, PASTOR

September 11, 12, 13, 1934

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of the Synod of Nebraska

54th Annual Convention

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July 31 - August 3, 1934

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Rev. C. H. B. Lewis..Synod of Nebraska (Parish and Ch. School Com.)
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Mr. Paul Wiegman.....President Luther League of Nebraska

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Term 1932-1935—Mr. Philip Hudson and Rev. Thomas D. Rinde
Term 1933-1936—Dr. G. N. Mendenhall and Rev. F. C. Wiegman
Term 1934-1937—Mrs. George Haase and Miss Helen L. Puls

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Rev. George Mendenhall Rev. W. Jessen Rev. H. H. Scherer

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Rev. W. C. Heidenreich Rev. Leo Nielsen

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Rev. E. C. Mortensen Rev. F. C. Pryor Rev. W. S. Livers
Rev. E. A. Dorner Rev. Willard Alexander

Delegates to the U. L. C. A. Convention

Clerical—Rev. W. I. Guss, Rev. T. D. Rinde, Rev. C. B. Harman, Rev. A. W. Young, Rev. E. A. Vosseler

Alternate—Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Rev. W. H. Saas, Rev. W. C. Stump, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Rev. H. C. Cordts

Lay—Mr. Albert Hedelund, Mr. Chas. W. Haas, Mr. Philip Hudson, Mr. G. E. Hickman, Mr. Evan Miller

Alternate—Mr. E. G. Hopkins, Mr. Fred Holmstedt, Mr. Edward Wochner, Mr. Ben Braasch, Mr. A. Wibbels

CALENDAR FOR 1935

The 63rd Annual Convention will be held in First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, May 7, 8 and 9, 1935, Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Pastor.

Synodical Sermon—Rev. W. I. Guss
Communion Sermon—Rev. H. Dumler; Alternate, Rev. E. H. Gilmer
Ordination Sermon—Rev. H. C. Cordts; Alternate, Rev. F. C. Pryor
Chorister—Rev. W. C. Heidenreich
Organist—Rev. G. Gieschen
Chaplain—Rev. R. V. Davis; Alternate, Rev. C. P. Tranberg

ROLL OF SYNOD

Pastor	Address	Year Ord.	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
Baltzly, O. D. Ph. D., D. D., LL. D.	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus	
Coder, Harry	809 Grant, York	1932	1932	First, York	J. S. Harden
Coder, Harry	809 Grant, York	1932	1932	First, McCool Jct.	H. P. Smith
Cordts, H. C.	Falls City	1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	Wm. Brecht
Davis, R. V.	Hardy	1929	1929	St. Paul's, Hardy	Ward Henderson
Daubenspeck, W.	Oshkosh	1929	1929	Oshkosh-Lewellen	Robert Quelle
Dorner, E. A.	Hildreth	1929	1929	St. Paul's, Hildreth	Geo. Schmidt
Dowler, H.	Spencer	1929	1929	United, Spencer	Howard Bradstreet
Dumler, H. Hampton		1926	1925	Emmanuel	Wm. Enderle
Ebright, O. W.	24th & I Sts., Omaha	1919	1924	St. Luke's, Omaha	Henry Grimm
Estrada, Dorotio	Buenos Aires, So. America	1931	1931	Missionary	
Fleck, E. L.	1331 J. Street, Lincoln	1887	1910	Retired	
Frederick, P. W. H.	1653 N. Colson Ave., Fremont	1900	1931	Professor	
Gieschen, G.	Leigh	1922	1934	St. John's, Leigh	S. Rentschler
Gilmer, E. H.	Wilber	1912	1932	First, Wilber	E. H. Houser
Guss, W. I., D. D.	119 N. 40th St., Omaha	1899	1919	Synod President	
Harman, C. B., D. D.	503 W. 2nd St., Grand Island	1900	1909	St. Paul's, G. Island	Geo. Wiechman
Heidenreich, W. C.	Wayne	1906	1928	St. Paul's, Wayne	A. Carlson
Hershey, J. C.	Davenport	1917	1917	Christ, Davenport	Claud Corman
Holz, G. C. H.	Buenos Aires, South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
Jessen, W.	Broadwater	1934	1934	United, Broadwater	
Joens, H.	Fremont	1929	1929	No parish	
Kahse, W. T., D. D.	413 Central Ave., Sidney	1905	1912	Sidney-Potter	Fred Griffith
Keller, S. L.	Fremont	1888	1910	Retired	
Kemper, C. H.	Paxton	1927	1926	Paxton-Sutherland	E. A. Sudman
Klink, W. A.	West Point	1917	1917	Grace, W. Point	Fred Woerman
Krebs, Geo.	Pueblo, Colorado	1934	1934		
Kuhns, L. M., D. D., Litt. D.	Saunders-K. Bldg., Omaha	1886	1888	Pastor Emeritus	
Lewis, C. H. B., D. D.	748 E. Military, Fremont	1904	1925	U. L. C. Secretary	
Livers, W. S.	Columbus	1932	1932	United, Columbus	Fred Settgast
Lowe, C. R.	214 Ninth St., Beatrice	1907	1913	Trinity, Beatrice	Chas. Kimmerling

Lowe, J. A., Ph. D., 3506 Harney St., Omaha	1878	1926	Retired	
Machetzki, P., Buenos Aires, South America	1915	1914	Missionary	
Martin, W. Fred, 2813 N. 60th St., Omaha	1932	1932	First, Omaha	A. Hedelund
Martin, H. F., Ph. D., D. D., Midland College, Fremont	1905	1925	College President	
Mendenhall, G. N., Ph. D., 855 E. Military, Fremont	1908	1922	Professor	
Miller, J. C., Allen	1915	1928	First, Allen	John Karlberg
Moeller, G. E., Homer	1932	1932	Homer-Hubbard	V. N. Hansen
Moeller, W. H., Hooper	1931	1931	Grace, Hooper	H. P. Weitkamp
Moeller, W. H., Hooper	1931	1931	St. John's, Vacoma	
Mortensen, E. C., Benedict	1920	1920	Zion, Benedict	Evan Miller
Mortensen, G. E., 1326 S. 26th, Omaha	1920	1920	Grace, Omaha	J. Fred Smith
Nielsen, Leo, Lewellen	1934	1934	Grace, Lewellen	
Pinkall, A. H., South Sioux City	1930	1930	First, South Sioux City	J. Sierk
Pryor, F. C., Fremont	1916	1932	Salem, Fremont	Henry Tank
Rangeler, R. E., 3935 E. Randolph, Lincoln	1919	1921	St. James', Lincoln	H. Fahrunbruch
Rangeler, R. E., 3935 E. Randolph, Lincoln	1919	1921	Walton-Eagle	Geo. Winkler
Rhine, J. S., Wolbach	1933	1933	Wolbach-Ericson	A. Wibbels
Rinde, T. D., 406 S. 9th St., Nebraska City	1924	1927	First, Nebraska City	L. Rodenbrock
Rubrecht, G. K., D. D., 1700 High St., Lincoln	1905	1928	Grace, Lincoln	A. W. Bruse
Saas, W. H., Verdon	1925	1924	St. Mark's, Verdon	Charles Heinzelman
Saas, W. H., Verdon	1925	1924	Trinity, Stella	James Wetmore
Scherer, H. H., 2602 Farnam St., Omaha	1928	1934	Kountze-Mem., Omaha	T. L. Frank
Stump, W. C., 2051 N. 20th St., Omaha	1910	1930	St. Mark's, Omaha	Chas. W. Haas
Swan, L. A., Auburn	1930	1931	St. Paul's, Auburn	Fred McClay
Tranberg, C. P., Rising City	1913	1930	First, Rising City	Wm. Miller
Traub, W. H., D. D., 2602 Farnam St., Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze-Mem., Omaha	T. L. Frank
Vosseler, E. A., Emerson	1920	1923	St. Luke's, Emerson	H. Wriedt
Weaver, G. B., D. D., Dakota City	1898	1916	Salem, Dakota City	F. P. Culbertson
Weitzenkamp, Louis, Ponca	1932	1932	Salem, Ponca	F. Mattison
Wiegman, F. C., 311 W. 5th St., North Platte	1927	1927	First, North Platte	John Lincoln
Wood, E. G., India	1928	1928	Missionary	
Young, A. W., Stamford	1926	1924	Trinity, Stamford	Louis Cramer
Alexander, W. W., Omaha (Licentiate)			Emmanuel, Tekamah	E. Ahrens
Vacant			Gurley-Dalton	Sexton Ahlm
Vacant			Redeemer, Omaha	Ben Braasch

MINUTES

COMMUNION SERVICE TUESDAY MORNING

The 62nd Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in St. John's Lutheran Church at Leigh, Nebr., the Rev. G. Gieschen, acting Pastor, at 10:30 a. m., Tuesday, September 11, 1934.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion services were conducted by the President, Vice-President and Secretary. Rev. J. C. Miller preached the Communion Sermon on the text John 3:14-18. 59 pastors, laymen and laywomen communed.

BUSINESS SESSION, TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The business session was convened at 2 p. m., Tuesday, by the President. The Formal Order for the Opening of Synods was used.

Roll was called, 37 pastors and 15 lay-delegates responding.

The bar of Synod was set at the first 8 pews.

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Council was read by Rev. E. A. Vosseler. The report was adopted.

The President appointed Rev. G. B. Weaver to preside.

The President read his Report, the same being referred to the Committee on President's Report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

To My Brethren and Co-Workers of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

Grace be unto you and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

We come together for the Sixty-second Annual Convention of our Synod. This is the first time that our body meets in the St. John's Lutheran Church of Leigh to enjoy the kind hospitality of this congregation.

For God's gracious guidance through the past months since our last Synodical meeting, we are deeply grateful and for His continual help we earnestly pray. The past year has been one of unusual responsibility and opportunity for the church. Our congregations have been confronted with every conceivable form of difficulty, however, I am happy in the privilege to bear testimony to the sacrificial devotion of our pastors and their faithful people. With few exceptions they have been optimistic and enthusiastic about their work.

I herewith submit the Annual Report of your President:

Bereavements

For the first time in several years has death entered the ranks of our clerical members. Two of our pastors during the past year have been called from the church militant:

REV. EDWIN BOLLMAN, Nov. 25, 1933.

REV. ROBERT A. WHITE, D. D., Jan. 27, 1934.

The beloved companion of one of our pastors entered the Triumphant life:

MRS. NORA HENRIETTA (BROBST) RUBRECHT, Sept. 18, 1933.

A member of St. Mark's, Omaha, and a missionary of our United

Lutheran Church in America field in India, was also called to her eternal reward:

MISS SELMA SOPHIA ANDERSON, April 19, 1934.

Two of our pastors mourn the departure of parents within the past year:

The mother of Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D.
The father of Rev. W. H. Traub, D. D.

"PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD IS THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS."

A fitting recognition of the life and work of these servants of God will be given at the appointed time by the necrologist.

Calls Accepted

Rev. Louis Weitzenkamp, Ponca, June 1, 1932.
(Omitted from former report)
Rev. John S. Rhine, Wolbach-Ericson, November 12, 1933.
Rev. Leo Nielsen, Lewellen, Nebraska, May 16, 1934.

Accessions

Rev. John S. Rhine, Susquehannah Synod, November 22, 1933.
Rev. Henry H. Scherer, Kansas Synod, February 1, 1934.
George Krebs, licensed April 26, 1934.
Leo Nielsen, licensed May 15, 1934.

Resignations

Rev. Hugh E. Yost, Kountze-Memorial, Omaha, September 25, 1933.
Rev. M. H. Geissler, Leigh, Nebr., October 31, 1933.
Rev. K. deFreese, Redeemer, Omaha, May 17, 1934.
Rev. Herman Joens, Gurley-Dalton, August 15, 1934.

Dismissals

Rev. Hugh E. Yost, East Penna. Synod, September 25, 1933.
Rev. Max H. Geissler, Texas Synod, November 4, 1933.
Rev. K. deFreese, Kansas Synod, May 17, 1934.
Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, Rocky Mountain Synod, Sept. 8, 1934.

Installations

Rev. Louis Weitzenkamp, Ponca, by President W. I. Guss, June 12, 1932. (Omitted from former report)
Rev. John S. Rhine, Wolbach-Ericson by President W. I. Guss, Dr. R. A. White and Dr. C. B. Harman, Dec. 19, 1933.
Rev. R. A. White, Pastor Emeritus at Wolbach by President W. I. Guss and Dr. C. B. Harman, Dec. 19, 1933.

Vacancies

Bruning—This congregation is still worshipping with the Methodists in the Lutheran Church.

Dakota City—Emmanuel church has been vacant since the resignation of Rev. Saas, Sept. 1, 1931. Thru an oversight the name of this church was omitted from the parochial report in the last issue of the Synodical Minutes. The Executive Committee will bring in a recommendation in reference to the future care of this congregation.

Gurley-Dalton—became vacant Aug. 15, 1934. Rev. Hugh Dowler has received and will accept a "Call" to this parish.

Leigh—Since Oct. 8, 1932 Rev. Gerhard Gieschen is the supply pastor.

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Omaha — became vacant May 17, 1934. Rev. Walter A. Voss has received and accepted a "Call" to this congregation.

Tekamah—Rev. Henry Opperman, a licentiate of our Synod was supply pastor of this congregation until he accepted a "Call" elsewhere sometime in the early part of the summer of 1933. On Nov. 5, 1933, Rev. L. H. Steinhoff became the supply pastor and closed his work there in the last of July, 1934. Student Willard W. Alexander has been recently elected supply pastor.

Wolbach—Dr. R. A. White supplied this parish from June 1, 1932 to August, 1933, when Rev. John S. Rhine became the supply pastor.

Appointments

July 10, 1933—I appointed Revs. O. W. Ebright, T. D. Rinde and F. C. Wiegman a committee to meet with a committee of women from the Western Missionary Conference to confer as to the advisability of holding district conferences of the men and women at the same time and place.

July 10, 1933—I appointed Rev. O. W. Ebright delegate to bear greetings to the synodical Womens' Missionary Society Annual Convention that met July 31 - Aug. 4, 1933 at Fremont.

July 2, 1934—I appointed Rev. W. C. Stump the delegate to bear greetings to the synodical Womens' Missionary Society Annual Convention at Fremont, July 30 to August 3rd.

Dedications

Spencer—United

On August 27, 1933, was rededicated the church building that was purchased from the Congregationalists. This organization disbanded, and our Lutheran Church secured the property including the furniture by paying off the indebtedness which was $1,000.00. This church, furnishings and lot could not be reproduced for more than twice this amount. The building is a frame structure and large enough to care for the present needs of the congregation.

The service of rededication was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Hugh Dowler, at the morning hour of worship, and the sermon was by the President of the Synod, W. I. Guss. At 2:30 P. M. there was a fellowship service at which Rev. Wm. G. Vahle of the American Lutheran Church preached, and greetings were brought from the pastor of the Augustana Church of Bristo, and the M. E. pastor of Spencer. The special music for the day was provided by the local choir, and a trio from the Bristo Lutheran Church.

Anniversaries

Allen—July 19, the congregation assisted the Pastor and Mrs. Miller to make merry on their 25th Wedding Anniversary by a surprise banquet and a substantial gift of silver coins.

Auburn—April 27, 1934, the 50th Anniversary of the congregation was observed. The sermons were preached by Revs. W. I. Guss, D. D., Alfred O. Frank, and J. A. McCulloch, D. D. There were 14 charter members, 16 pastors have served the church. One object of the day was realized—the completion of a fund of $1450, sufficient to pay off the mortgaged indebtedness. The attendance was large. The choir rendered splendid music and dinners were served on this occasion.

Beatrice—November 11, 1934, was celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the congregation. Dr. J. A. Lowe, a former pastor preached the morning sermon. A congregational dinner was served. In the afternoon the local Kiwanis male chorus rendered a musical program and a history of the church was read.

Omaha, Grace—On April 8, 1934, was observed the 45th Anniversary of the church. Dr. L. M. Kuhns delivered the address in the morning, and the President of Synod preached in the evening. The local choir rendered special music.

Omaha, Kountze-Memorial—December 3-10, 1933 this congregation celebrated the Seventy-fifth Anniversary. Tuesday evening was the Anniversary banquet; Wednesday was the Community Night; on Thursday and Friday was given the historical pageant; Sunday morning, Dr. Luther M. Kuhns delivered the Anniversary Historical address and in the evening the church choir augmented by the Midland College A Capella choir sang selections from the "Messiah" and other A Capella numbers. At this evening service were read many greetings from friends of the congregation. There were nine charter members—today there are 5381 baptized members.

South Sioux City First—On September 24, 1933, was celebrated

the 8th Anniversary of the congregation and $100 was raised to pay on the mortgage.

Verdon, St. Mark's—Celebrated the 50th Anniversary, Sunday, October 1, 1933. The sermons were by Revs. M. A. Jensen, W. I. Guss, and T. D. Rinde. The choir rendered several special selections and dinners were served to members and friends.

Omaha, Redeemer—The Brotherhood observed the 15th Anniversary March 13, 1934. Dr. C. B. Harman gave the main address. Prof. G. E. Hickman, state Brotherhood President, brought greetings, former local presidents gave short talks and a social hour followed.

Stella-Trinity—On June 17, 1934, was observed the 50th Anniversary of the congregation. Dr. Horace F. Martin, President of Midland College and a son of the congregation preached at the morning service. Rev. T. D. Rinde was the evening speaker. This congregation has given three sons to the Gospel Ministry and gave one daughter to the Deaconess work.

West Point, Grace—On December 28, 1933, the congregation observed the 20th Anniversary of the dedication of the church. Sermon by Dr. W. I. Guss. A son of the congregation, Rev. Louis Weitzenkamp had a part in the service, and the reading of the service of dedication was in charge of the pastor, Rev. W. A. Klink. After the service all went to the church parlors where there was read the history of the church and reminiscences were given by members of the church. This was followed by refreshments and a social hour.

Wolbach, Trinity—June 17, 1934, observed the 30th Anniversary of the dedication of the church. President of Synod, W. I. Guss, preached at the morning hour of worship and this was followed by a congregational dinner in the church basement.

Improvements

Columbus—Church property purchased for $2300.—corner lot 66x132 with a six room modern house, tax assessed value $3500. 59 folding chairs bought for $21.65.

Dalton—Church painted; new chancel rug laid; inside woodwork refinished and the floors painted and varnished.

Emerson—Shingled the church roof.

Gurley—Refinished furniture and made new entrance to basement.

Hardy—Cement sidewalks in front of church and parsonage and to rear of parsonage.

Hildreth—Built a balcony which adds 125 to seating capacity of church. A friend donated the cost of the same. On June 4, it was dedicated and the sermons were preached by President Guss and Pastors H. Lenser and A. W. Young.

Homer—The exterior and interior of the church were painted and other improvements were made.

Lincoln, Grace—New floors in basement, kitchen improved, roof repaired, choir space enlarged to accommodate 40. A jubilee service celebrating the cancelling of a $4,000 debt was held October 15, 1933. Dr. Guss and Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph. D., delivered the sermons.

McCool—New furnace installed in the church.

Nebraska City—New composition roof put on the church.

North Platte—A new stoker installed in church—cost $600.00.

Omaha, Benson—Church building painted.

Omaha, Grace—Church parlors redecorated at a cost of $125.00.

Omaha, Kountze-Memorial—Built a new exit from basement of church for Primary Department at a cost of $533.00.

Ponca—New roof on church and exterior of building repainted.

Rising City—Repapering in parsonage, church renovated and floors painted.

South Sioux City—Book racks placed on pews and windows and doors painted on inside of church.

Spencer—Redecorated interior of church building.

Tekamah—Pipe Organ repaired at a cost of $25.00.

West Point—New roof and other improvements on parsonage at a total cost of $320.

Applications for Membership

BY TRANSFER—Rev. Gerhardt Gieschen from a Synod not constituent of the U. L. C. A.

BY ORDINATION—George Eller, Werner Jessen, George Krebs and Leo Nielsen.

BY LICENSURE—Willard W. Alexander, Ernest Haugse, Edward Rohlfing.

BY CONGREGATIONS—United Lutheran Church, Broadwater, Nebraska. St. John's Church, Vacoma, Nebraska.

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U. L. C. A. Items

1. The total apportionment for the U. L. C. A. for 1935-1936 will be $2,000,000.00. The amount apportioned to the Nebraska Synod for 10,313 communing members will be $29,196. This is an increase of $3,688.00 owing to the fact that our Synod reported an increase of 922 in the communing membership of our synod.

2. "The Daily Lutheran" will not be published at the Savannah Convention. However, the weekly publication will carry extensive reports concerning the convention.

3. Some time during the year 1934 the U. L. C. A. recommends that every congregation give some special consideration concerning the 400th Anniversary of Luther's Translation of the Bible. (December 9, 1934, has been set aside as Universal Bible Day by the American Bible Society in recognition of this anniversary. If pastors will write to this Bible Society, literature for this celebration, including posters, will be furnished free.

A Synodical Presidents' Conference

A Synodical presidents' conference of the Western Synods was held at Chicago September 21, 1933 with eleven presidents present.

One item of business was a church-wide appeal for emergency needs presented by the chairman of the special committee on same, Dr. Greever and by Secretary Arthur P. Black of the Laymens' Movement. It was voted that a church-wide appeal be made to all congregations for funds in order to replenish the depleted treasuries of the various Boards of the U. L. C. A.

The total receipts of this Jubilee offering over and above expenses netted the U. L. C. A. $44,555.03. The offerings from the churches of the Nebraska Synod for this fund total $573.89.

President Knubel made statement, both general and specific, concerning the back-ground of conditions which present definite questions which the church is called upon to consider for permanent betterment in its life and service. He submitted six distinct propositions for discussion as follows:

1. "For a stronger spiritual life." The Conference declared it to be its sense that spiritual life is strengthened by the loyal use of the Word and the Sacraments, by the practice of family worship, by testimony in preaching as an expression of true personal experience in religion, and by turning from trust in church machinery to vital trust in God.

2. "For a stronger Educational Promotion throughout the church." After discussion the conference voted that this item be referred to the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. for serious consideration and definite action.

3. "For a stronger emphasis on the church's system of apportionment as the regular source of support for the work of the

church." It was voted to approve the principle of the proposition as presented.

4. "That a plan whereby the U. L. C. A. shall solicit as well as distribute funds be discussed." It was voted that this item be referred to a committee to be appointed by the president for study and report to the conference of Synodical Presidents. It was also voted that the Treasurer of the U. L. C. A. send monthly statements of standing of synods on apportionment payments to the President and Treasurer of our Synods.

5. "For a truer method in the way the Synods handle funds for benevolence." The discussion brought out that certain Synods took from the receipts for benevolence intended for the U. L. C. A. sufficient funds to pay the salaries in full of the missionaries within their synod before sending to the U. L. C. A. Treasurer. This was done for the reason that the Board of American Missions was unable to pay from their depleted treasury the full amount of salaries of the missions supported by that Board.

A motion was carried, that the whole proposition be commended to the Executive Board for consideration and that the Executive Board be requested to arrange a conference between representatives of the Board of American Missions and a Committee from the Presidents' Conference for adjustment in policies pertaining to the vote of missionaries.

6. "For a truer adjustment of the work of the Womens' Missionary Society to the work of the regular Boards of the church." Voted that this be referred to the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. A recommendation concerning this matter will be presented by the Executive Board to the next meeting of the U. L. C. A.

7. The question concerning the next convention of the U. L. C. A. was discussed fully. The conference voted that the convention should be held in Savannah, Ga., and that delegations should be restricted to 50% of quota.

Inasmuch as the vote of the Synodical Bodies was not unanimous on this matter, the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. decided that the quota from the Synods should be 100%.

8. The question of transfer of pastors from one synod to another was discussed from various angles. Advantages and difficulties were pointed out. The following motions were carried:

a. That it is the sense of this Conference that the President of a Synod should not accept the application of a pastor for a congregation until he has conferred with the President of the Synod to which the applicant belongs.

b. That this Conference suggests that the Executive Board of the Church ask its Committee on Constituent Synods to study the question of a "Clearing House" for supply and exchange of pastors between synods.

9. The question of discipline of ministers was discussed at considerable length, only emphasizing the unanimous opinion that discipline should be applied instead of evaded wherever cases justify it, and that standards in the ministry should be held upon the highest possible level.

Other Conferences

Your President, on October 26-27, 1933, attended the "American Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods' Fourth Biennial Conference at Chicago. One thing that was given much stress was that all Lutheran bodies must be united.

November 20th the President attended the "United Foreign Missionaries' Conference" at Omaha. Leaders from the various denominations laid stress upon the need of greater financial support to carry on the work in the foreign fields; that more information be given to the congregations concerning these needs.

January 16-17, the President and a number of our pastors attended the Ministers' Convocation of the Nebraska Council of Churches and Christian Education. It was the opinion of many of

our brethren that this body seems to be dominated largely by present day modernistic tendencies and that the attitude of our synod toward affiliation with that organization should be guided by the pronouncements of the U. L. C. on this matter.

Your President attended the various Conferences of the Synod. Reports concerning these will be presented by the officers of these Conferences.

Mention ought to be made of the Pastors and Students Conference under the direction of the Western Theological Seminary which was held April 26-27, and the Midland Assembly on July 29 - August 3rd and the State Brotherhood Convention August 3rd. These three Conferences should receive the approval and attendance of our pastors and laymen.

The President's Questionnaire

Gave the following information: 32 churches gave to Special Jubilee Offering; 1 church used Benevolence for Current Expenses; 20 reported pastor's salary paid in full each month; 45 congregations heard sermons on Stewardship.

Other Activities

Your President officiated at 3 funerals, 1 wedding, 20 baptisms, 2 communion services. He taught 23 Sunday school classes, delivered 13 addresses and 80 sermons, attended 28 council, 5 congregational and 17 committee meetings and 15 conventions and conferences. There were nearly 500 individual conferences and calls. In doing this, he travelled 20,217 miles not including many more via automobiles.

Recommendations

1. That we return thanks to Almighty God for His Goodness, protection and guidance during the past Synodical year and that we fervently pray that we may render a more unselfish and acceptable service to our Lord and Master during the coming year.
2. That the goal of every congregation be to increase in spirituality; to set up a family altar in every home; to increase church and Sunday School attendance; to reclaim the lapsed members; to increase church membership by personal evangelism on the part of every member; and to loyally support the program of the local church and that of the U. L. C. A.
3. That prayers be offered in the public worship of our congregations for Midland College and Tabitha Home.
4. That our pastors and church councils give the representatives of our church and her institutions the opportunity to present from the pulpit and otherwise the cause and needs of the church and the institutions in order that our members may be informed and also that our people be afforded an opportunity to assist financially in support of the same.
5. That all congregations where the constitutions are obsolete should revise them so that they may be in harmony with our Synodical Constitution and the model constitution recommended by the U. L. C. A.

I desire to again thank the brethren of the Synod for their prayers, co-operation and many helpful suggestions given me during the past Synodical year.

Respectfully submitted:
W. I. Guss, President.

The following new members were introduced to the Synod by the President: Rev. H. Scherer, Omaha, Kountze-Memorial; Rev. J. S. Rhine, Wolbach-Ericson. The following visitors were introduced: Dr. E. Walters, Supt. Tabitha Home, Lincoln; Rev. I. A. Bahnsen of the German Nebraska Synod.

Dr. J. H. Miller read the Treasurer's Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received

Cash last report		$ 637.16
United Lutheran Church		12,238.82
Synod Treasury:		
Apportionment	$2,868.67	
Synod in Session	17.58	
W. I. Guss	1,500.00	
		4,386.25
Ministerial Education		706.83
Tabitha Home		1,424.41
Foreign Missions		718.15
Ministerial Pension		25.00
Christian Education		4,051.71
Midland College		4,042.13
Western Seminary		603.26
Synod Paper		287.12
Mission Committee		881.24
Miscellaneous		60.32
		$30,062.40

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church		$12,238.82
Ministerial Education		706.83
Tabitha Home		1,424.41
Foreign Missions		718.15
Ministerial Pension		25.00
Christian Education		4,051.71
Midland College		4,042.13
Western Seminary		603.26
Synod Paper		247.21
Mission Committee		1,100.00
Synod Treasury:		
Revenue	$ 2.64	
Bank exchange	3.45	
H. Belle Bliss	6.10	
H. E. Yost	1.00	
A. W. Young	9.25	
W. M. Daubenspeck	5.00	
Marius Christensen	5.00	
W. T. Kahse	5.00	
J. H. Hershey	15.30	
R. V. Davis	5.00	
University Student Work	100.00	
L. M. Kuhns	1.72	
Walther Print Shop	204.65	
Perkins Printing & Stationery Co	11.00	
J. F. Bastar	10.00	
Charles Beckenhauer	5.00	
W. C. Heidenreich	4.00	
R. E. Rangeler	1.50	
T. D. Rinde	52.00	
P. W. H. Frederick	1.50	
Jos. H. Miller	68.75	
Hansen Audit Co.	25.00	
W. I. Guss	3,309.06	3,851.92
Miscellaneous		60.32
Cash on hand		992.64
		$30,062.40

Balance on hand as follows:
Synod treasury $195.82

Synod Paper	42.92	
Mission Committee	753.90	
		$ 992.62
Total for all purposes in 1932		$39,607.47
Total for all purposes in 1933		29,425.24
Apportionment received in 1932		26,753.20
Apportionment received in 1933		23,017.22
Percentage on apportionment in 1932		46.35%
Percentage on apportionment in 1933		44.25%
Churches paying 100% on apportionment in 1932		5
Churches paying 100% on apportionment in 1933		4

The synod has been dropping in her benevolence for ten or twelve years. We trust we have reached the bottom, and from henceforth we will have a long continued increase in our Synod's offerings. Treasurer holds a $500.00 note of St. James, Lincoln, due March 1, 1936.

In as much as there is not much coming in on the Christian Education Fund any more, and the College Office will be able to take care of it, I recommend that the Treasurer no longer carry this account on his books, and all future payments to this fund be sent directly to the Midland College office.

Respectfully submitted,

Jos. H. Miller, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL EXHIBIT

	Apport.	Paid	%	Specials	Totals
Allen	$ 616	$ 61.00	9.9	$	$ 61.00
Auburn	930	774.00	83.2	221.35	995.35
Beatrice	550	4.82	.8	70.39	75.21
Benedict	638	603.15	94.5	23.41	626.16
Columbus	330	126.00	38.1		126.00
Dalton	231		60.6	42.50	42.50
Dakota Emmanuel	33	20.00	60.6		20.00
Dakota Salem	462	154.00	33.3	33.00	187.00
Davenport	990	155.00	15.6	218.25	373.25
Eagle	143	18.22	12.7	1.00	19.22
Emerson	633	318.00	50.2	35.00	353.00
Ericson	110	14.00	12.7	17.75	31.75
Falls City	1,331	438.00	32.9	20.75	458.75
Fremont	1,991	905.00	45.4		905.00
Grand Island	2,613	1,159.00	44.3	171.00	1,330.50
Gurley	457	108.00	23.6	17.50	125.50
Hampton	600	39.00	6.5	13.50	52.50
Hardy	440	17.50	3.9		17.50
Hildreth	638	214.00	33.5	23.00	237.00
Homer	695	7.41	1.0	8.00	15.41
Hooper	776	297.00	34.4	15.00	312.00
Hubbard	215	11.80	5.5	2.21	14.01
Leigh	506	84.00	16.6	13.00	97.00
Lewellen	187	9.50	5.0	32.50	42.00
Lincoln, Grace	1,617	947.00	58.5	1,012.50	1,959.50
Lincoln, St. Jas.	242	137.55	56.8	36.00	173.55
McCool Jct.	369	125.00	33.8	85.00	210.00
Nebraska City	512	241.00	47.0	65.00	306.00
N. Platte	2,112	2,112.00	100.	246.50	2,358.50
Omaha, First	913	628.75	78.8	25.00	653.75
Omaha, Grace	1.144	287.00	25.0		287.00
Omaha, K. M.	13,915	4,730.51	33.9	1,015.70	5,746.21
Omaha, Redeemer	1,051	1,051.00	100.	151.50	1,202.50
Omaha, St. Luke's	2,217	2,220.00	100.1		2,220.00
Omaha, St. Mark's	869	869.00	100.	7.00	876.00
Oshkosh	193	22.50	11.7		22.50
Paxton	512	432.00	85.8	74.88	506.88

Ponca	842	161.05	17.1	17.00	178.05
Potter	154	32.00	20.4	30.00	62.00
Rising City	798	357.99	44.8	179.00	536.90
Sidney	528	282.00	53.5	104.00	386.00
S. Sioux	715	645.61	90.2	26.00	671.61
Spencer	270	65.12	24.1	40.00	105.12
Stamford	495	166.00	33.5	57.75	223.75
Stella	77	39.98	51.9	40.00	79.98
Sutherland	121	36.00	29.7	32.50	68.50
Tekamah	336	15.00	4.4	23.50	38.50
Verdon	616	170.00	27.6	214.61	384.61
Walton	391	41.91	10.7	5.00	46.91
Wayne	1,210	415.47	34.3	116.00	531.47
West Point	2,266	800.00	35.3	115.17	915.17
Wilber	347	119.00	32.2	94.25	213.25
Wolbach	633	191.00	30.1	104.00	295.00
York	446	120.00	26.9	60.75	180.75
W. I. Guss				1,500.25	1,500.25
Synod in Session		17.58			17.58
	$52,026	$23,017.22		$6,458.42	$29,476.24

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The Auditor's Report was read and adopted, and thereby the report of the Treasurer was adopted.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

As instructed by your President, Rev. Wm. I. Guss, and as provided by your By-Laws, an audit has been conducted by us of the books and all auxiliary records of your Treasurer, Dr. Jos. H. Miller, covering the fiscal year 1933, the precise period audited embracing the receipts and disbursements between February 1, 1933 and January 10, 1934, inclusive.

Our audit commenced with the cash balance shown as having been on hand at the conclusion of the fiscal year 1932 as shown by our audit report dated May 2, 1933, and concluded with the balance on hand at January 10, 1934, which was found to reconcile with the amount on deposit in bank. All remittances received on apportionments during the year for which receipts were issued by the Treasurer were found properly distributed to the various Funds in the Cash Book upon the percentage basis described by the Synod.

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Money received for special objects was credited to the various funds as shown by the duplicate receipts and all forwarded to the respective agencies as designated or stands credited thereto on the Treasurer's books and therefore comprising the balance in bank at the close of the fiscal year.

We have accepted as sufficient and proper authority for all disbursements by the Treasurer the vouchers which bear the signatures of the President, Secretary and Treasurer in each instance.

We submit herewith as Exhibits 'A', 'B' and 'C' a brief report of receipts and disbursements by Funds and a summary of same, as compiled from the books of the Treasurer as audited, and details of the bank reconciliation, all of which we hereby certify are in agreement with the books.*

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT COMPANY,
By Alfred L. Hanson

*(Exhibits 'A', 'B' and 'C' are filed in the Protocol).

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Mr. Paulus List of Chicago, representing The United Lutheran Publication House was introduced to Synod.

Rev. W. H. Saas read the Report of the Statistical Secretary. The Report was adopted.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA—FOR THE YEAR 1933

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Of the 43 active pastors of Synod only one failed to send in a report. Of the 52 reports received, 34 came in within the time limit set by the constitution and 18 delinquent.

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In ten years we have made a net increase in confirmed membership of 3,630.

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Congregational giving has decreased substantially within the past five years. Giving for congregational expenses is $62,116 less this year than it was in 1929. Giving for benevolence is $32,327 less.

Figures for the past three years reveal:—

A steady growth in our Church Schools with an increase of 482 in Sunday School scholars and an increase of 125 in Week Day School scholars. One new Week Day School has been reported each year.

There has been a sharp decrease in students; a 31% in those attending Lutheran schools and a 28% decrease in those attending non-Lutheran schools.

There has been a slight devaluation of church property within the past three years.

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There were 556 more catechumens in 1933 than there were in 1932.

Many congregations are very generous in giving for their own needs and very miserly in giving for others. In the year covered by this report each confirmed member gave $8.44 for congregational expenses and $2.26 for Benevolence, a better proportion than is found in many congregations.

The Parochial Report together with some interesting and thought provoking tables are appended to this report in the Protocol.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Saas

The Statistician referred to several tables which he had worked out from the Parochial Reports of the past ten years.

A motion prevailed that the Executive Committee examine these Tables to determine if they are of enough value to be printed in the Minutes or mimeographed and sent to the pastors.

Dr. L. M. Kuhns read the Report of the Historian. The Report was adopted.

THE HISTORIAN'S REPORT

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Your Historian has secured a number of items relating to the history of the Lutheran Church in Nebraska from The Luther Press, publications of Rev. John N Lenker, D. D., and also from the Rev. Luther P. Ludden collection made while he was Western Field Secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod; also some items from other sources. These have all been added to the present historical possessions.

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The United States Government has made a survey of the historic buildings of America. In this territory William L. Steele was the Regional Director, H. A. B. S. (Historical American Buildings Survey), and Charles W. Steinbaugh and Norman R. Brigham were Architects of the Department of the Interior, Division of National

Parks, Buildings and Reservations. Your Historian was able to secure the consideration of Emmanuel Lutheran Church at Dakota City for inclusion in this survey. The building was measured and photographed by Charles W. Steinbaugh, and your Historian furnished all the data connected with this Church, and these records have been filed in the archives of the Congressional Library at Washington.

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The notable events of the Synodical year are as follows:

On Thursday evening, May 18th, 1933 the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Lutheran Church in Nebraska was held in Kountze Memorial Church, Rev. Walter H. Traub, D. D., Pastor. It was regarded as the closing event of the annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. Letters of congratulation were read by Rev. W. C. Stump, Pastor of St. Mark's, Omaha, and the anniversary address was delivered by Luther M. Kuhns. Historian of Synod.

The 75th anniversary of the founding of Kountze Memorial Church was commemorated December 5-10, inclusive, 1933. The anniversary banquet was held on Tuesday evening, December 5th, Mr. Harry Fischer, toastmaster. On Community Night, December 6th, addresses were made by the Hon. Roy N. Towl, Mayor of Omaha, the Very Reverend Stephen E. McGinley, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, the Rev. Emil G. Chinlund, S. T. D., Superintendent of the Immanuel Deaconess Institute, the Rev. H. F. Martin, D. D., President of Midland College, and the Rev. O. W. Ebright, Pastor of St. Luke's Church, Omaha. A public reception followed. Thursday and Friday, December 7th and 8th, a historical play depicting scenes and customs in the different periods of the history of the Church was given. On Sunday morning, December 10th the Historical address, "The Work of Our Fathers," was delivered by Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Historian of Synod and son of the founder of the Church. In the evening the Kountze Memorial choir and Midland College Oratorio Chorus rendered a fine musical program with selections from The Messiah and A Cappella numbers. A very attractive memorial booklet with historical sketches and the membership of the Church was published.

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The Historian would greatly appreciate it if the brethren would send to him historical data relating to their congregations.

We recommend that the Historian, with the approval of the President of Synod, authorize the purchase of a suitable permanent record for making entries of important events in connection with the history of the Synod.

Luther M. Kuhns, Historian.

A motion prevailed that the Report of the Historical Exhibit prepared by the Historian be included in the Protocol.

Special Committees were announced.

Rev. G. Gieschen, pastor-loci, was introduced to Synod.

The Memorial Service arranged by the Necrologist L. M. Kuhns was held.

The Session adjourned at 5 o'clock, p. m.

VESPER SERVICE, TUESDAY NIGHT

At 8 p. m. Vesper Services were conducted by the Pastor-loci and his choir, assisted by Dr. G. Keller Rubrecht. Sermons were delivered by Dr. C. H. B. Lewis on the theme, "Rethinking Parish Education," text Eph. 4:-11-16, and by Dr. W. H. Traub on the theme. "Credentials

of Christ" using the text Matthew 21:23 and I Corinthians 4:1, 2.

BUSINESS SESSION WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional services were conducted at 8:45 a. m., by Chaplain H. Dowler.

The Business Session convened at 9:20. Prayers were offered by Revs. H. Dumler and W. Fred Martin. 43 pastors and 19 lay-delegates responded to roll call. The Minutes of the previous sessions were approved as corrected.

A motion prevailed that the Necrologist's Report be included in the printed minutes.

THE REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

He who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of Amen.

"Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.
I have sent up my gladness on wings, to be lost in the blue of the sky.
I have run and leaped with the rain, I have taken the wind to my breast.
My cheek like a drowsy child to the face of the earth I have pressed.
Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.
I have kissed young Love on the lips, I have heard his song to the end.
I have struck my hand like a seal in the loyal hand of a friend.
I have known the peace of heaven, the comfort of work done well.
I have longed for death in the darkness and risen alive out of hell.
Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.
I give a share of my soul to the world where my course is run.
I know that another shall finish the task I must leave undone.
I know that no flower, no flint was in vain on the path I trod.
As one looks on a face through a window, through life I have looked on God.
Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die."

In Paul's second Epistle to the Corinthians, we read, "The promises of God. . .through him is the Amen, unto the glory of God through us." In that marvelous book closing the divine revelation of God to man, we read, "These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness."

The God of Amen! This is an expression of the faith of individuals in the divine promises and revelations. It had a liturgical use in the services of the Synagogue. It found its way into Christian worship. As "yea," "yea" stands for the promise so "Amen," "Amen" indicates the fulfillment of God's promises. We may make our lives an Amen. Adelaid Ann Proctor beautifully expresses our thought,

"It may be that death's bright angel
Will speak in that chord again,
It may be that only in heaven,
I shall hear that grand Amen."

Away on the shores of the Adriatic there is a beautiful custom practiced among the fisher-folk. When the boats put out to sea in the evening, and are lying far out beside the nets, the wives and the

friends of the fishermen steal down to the seashore and sing the first verse of one of their favorite hymns. The music of their voices is carried far across the still waters of the sea to the fishermen at their work. The men then take up the words of the second verse and back across the water steals the sound of the melody. The women hearing the echo of their own song go home satisfied that their loved ones are safe. How like putting our lives in tune with the Infinite may be the passing of a friend and brother! How this thought comes to us here today! It is like the echo of an Amen from the farther shore.

It would be folly to deny or ignore the universal all-engulfing force of death. Everywhere in Nature death is the night of which life is the day. It is the supreme reconstructor; the universal leveler; the great essential in all progress. It is the infinite harmonizer and unifier. Life gives the individual his chance. Death restores him to the mass. Men live and die, but man abides.

The fallen watchmen of our Synod believed that in Christian faith they had found not only the final answer to the world's quest for life, but also the ultimate moral ground upon which could be created for humanity a living hope of the resurrection instead of a philosophical idea of the bare immortality of the soul. Our brethren died sustained by the glorious Christian hope of life beyond the grave. They have bequeathed to their loved families, to us and to the world the unshaken heritage of an all-conquering faith.

Our friends have not passed out of our lives because of death. Like the exodus of the Hebrews out of Egypt into the Holy Land, our beloved departed have passed more truly into our lives. The burdens they carried have slipped from their shoulders and we who abide must assume the responsibility of the full fruition of their toil. To us they have left, as a glorious addition to our equipment for highest service here, the thought of the sower who passed from the field leaving the harvest of their faithful sowing for those who remained to reap. This is like the organist seeking the Lost Chord and hearing the Grand Amen.

We pause in our Synodical duties to reverently honor their memories.

Rev. Edwin Bollman, a retired pastor of our Synod, residing at Shickley, entered into life eternal November 25th, 1933, past 75 years of age. He graduated from Carthage College and Hamma Divinity School, and was ordained in 1890 by the Illinois Synod. He served parishes at Foreston and Pearl City, Illinois; Effingham and Oxford Junction, Kansas; Davenport, Wilber, Wolbach-Ericson, Walton and Benedict, Nebraska. Congregations at Wolbach and Walton were organized by him, and he erected Churches in both places while serving as pastor. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Cornelia Bollman, and two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Becker and Mrs. Victor Spirk, and five grandchildren. His obsequies were held both at his home and at the Lutheran Church at Davenport. J. C. Hershey, Pastor, delivered the sermon, and addresses were made by Dr. Holmes Dysinger and President W. I. Guss. Other pastors present assisted. Bro. Bollman was a conscientious Christian, a sympathetic friend; and a servant of the Master faithful in his ministrations.

Rev. Robert Alpheus White was born in Frederick County, Virginia of Lutheran parents, baptized as a child, and confirmed in the Lutheran Church. At the age of 79 years, 2 months and four days he entered on life eternal, January 27th, 1934. He taught school for ten years, attended the State Normal School at Emporia, Kansas; and after answering the call to become an ambassador for Christ, he studied privately under Rev. L. C. Gloscose. He took a course in Theology in Missionary Institute, later designated Susquehanna University, Selingrove, Pennsylvania. He was ordained to the Lutheran ministry by the Kansas Synod in 1886. Shortly after his ordination

he accepted a field of labor in Nebraska where he served until his sun went down. He served parishes at Oakland, Tekamah, Grace, Waverly, Benedict, Waverly a second time, York, and Wolbach-Ericson. Upon resigning his last parish he was elected the Pastor Emeritus. His active pastoral work closed in August, 1933, and his last sermon was preached in Wolbach, January 7th, 1934. Bro. White died in Immanuel Lutheran Hospital, Omaha. Midland College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1928. He served Synod as Secretary for four years, and as Historian for seventeen. He served his Lord in this Synod forty-seven years. May 11th, 1878 he married Miss Adelia Sondecker, who died in 1897. Four sons were born to this marriage. In 1901 he married Miss Agusta Stroke. Two children were born to this union. He is survived by his wife, and the following children: Luther, Fred, Rev. George, Rev. Paul C., and Mrs. Cotta Daggert, and a sister. Funeral rites were held January 31st. The President of Synod preached the sermon and was assisted in the Liturgical services by Drs. H. F. Martin, C. B. Harman, G. N. Mendenhall, and the pastor of the Church at Wolbach, J. S. Rhine. Interment was at Benedict where pastors E. C. Mortensen, H. Coder, and J. S. Rhine assisted the President of Synod. Bro. White was truly a man of God; an earnest preacher, a sincere and faithful pastor who was patient, persevering, consecrated and beloved by his parishioners.

Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, nee Nora Henrietta Brobst, was born in Hamburg, Pennsylvania, June 9th, 1874. She was the daughter of Henry and Sarah Brobst. Mrs. Rubrecht passed over the River to the realms of the blessed on September 18th, 1933 at the age of 59 years, 3 months, and 9 days. She was united in marriage to the Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D., October 15th, 1905 at Allentown, Pennsylvania. For twelve years she resided in Milwaukee, and for a period of ten years at Minneapolis. In 1927, with her husband, she removed to Lincoln where she passed through the gates into the eternal city. Services were held in Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Rev. R. E. Rangeler, pastor, preached the sermon. Dr. E. Walter and Dr. Heick, and President Guss of our Synod assisted in the services. Interment was in the beautiful Wyuka Cemetery at Lincoln. She is survived by her husband, a son, Kenneth, a sister, Mrs. Sallie Brode of Denver, two nieces and two nephews. Mrs. Rubrecht was very active in the missionary work of the Church. She was especially gifted in her relationships with the young people, and she sustained her husband in all his pastoral and official relations.

John Henry Humpe, born at Richmond, Indiana, March 26th, 1860, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Humpe, formerly of Bielefeldt, Germany, and died in Lincoln, February 18th, 1934. He was baptized and confirmed in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Richmond, Indiana, where he taught in the Sunday School and served as its Superintendent. He was employed by the Star Piano Company as a cabinet maker and two years later worked with a local carpenter on construction work. In 1884 he came to Lincoln. He married Eliza A. Hutchison of Richmond in 1886. His was an active part in the establishment of St. Mark's Mission which eventually became the present Grace Lutheran Church. At the time of his death he was the only surviving charter member. He served as Superintendent of the Church School of Grace Church for thirty years; taught in the Sunday School for forty-four years, and was an elder and trustee for more than thirty years. He frequently attended the conventions of the Nebraska Synod and on several occasions was a delegate to the Old General Synod. He served Tabitha Home as President for twenty-seven years, from 1907 to the time of his death in 1934, presiding over the meetings of the Executive Committee and also the General Board. Mr. Humpe was superintendent of the Lincoln Street Car System, and General Manager when the old horse car line was electrified. This was about 1887. After a short residence in Louisiana

he again became General Manager of the Lincoln Traction Company, which position he held until 1913 when he started the real estate department and took care of the properties of the Lincoln Trust Company. He served as the property purchasing agent for the Lincoln School Board. He secured the present sites for the buildings of the University of Nebraska when its campus was enlarged. He also secured the half section of land near Lincoln on which the Government Veterans Hospital is located. On the failure of the Lincoln Trust Company he named his own business the J. H. Humpe Real Estate Firm, which he continued until the time of his death. He is survived by his widow and two daughters. Mr. Humpe was a Christian man who delighted to serve his Master in his own quiet way. He was a Churchman who honored both the community in which he lived and the denomination he served.

Selma Anderson was born at Bee, Nebraska, baptized in infancy and confirmed by Rev. Knock at Lincoln. She graduated from the City High School with honors, and at the University of Nebraska for her scholarship was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She enrolled as a Student Volunteer Missionary, received her Master's Degree in 1911, majoring in Greek at the University of Omaha. She was professor of Classical Languages. In 1920 she was commissioned a missionary at Baltimore and sailed for India, December 31st, 1920. In India she became the Principal of the Girls High School at Rajahmundry, and subsequently transferred to the Girls High School at Saniskota, and died April 19, 1934 at Rajahmundry. Memorial services were held for her in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Omaha. She was one of the great army of missionaries who have gone forth to fulfill Christ's command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D. D., was called upon to mourn the loss of his mother who entered on life in January, 1934.

Rev. Walter H. Traub laid to rest his father, Augustus Traub, born in Roaring Creek, Pennsylvania, January 11th, 1845, and died at Sunbury, Pennsylvania, August 9th, 1934. Burial was made at Sunbury, August 11th.

The sympathy of the brethren of Synod and the heartfelt condolence of friends is the earthly legacy bequeathed those who are companions in sorrow.

At Southampton, the parlor-window of Isaac Watts, the great hymn writer overlooked the River Itchen, and spread before him the Isle of Wight in its soft verdure of garden, field and forest. He gazed upon it until the richly-mantled scene melted his soul, and drew from him the memorable hymn,

"There is a land of pure delight,
Where saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain."

The God of the Amen translated His faithfulness into "Yea" and "Amen," making His unquestionable promises sure. As the faithful God, in Christ he has illuminated the dim and previously vague ideas of immortality of the world of shades with the glory of eternal life through the endless power of the risen Saviour. Our Redeemer established the universal purpose of God for the salvation of all when He conquered the sealed and guarded tomb in the Arimathaean Garden. So we can lay to peaceful rest these loved co-workers with the sentiment of John Ellerton's great hymn:

"Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle-day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.

Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

There the tears of earth are dried,
There its hidden things are clear,
There the work of life is tried
By a juster Judge than here.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

There the ransomed souls, that turn
To the Cross their dying eyes,
All the love of Christ shall learn
At His feet in Paradise.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

"Earth to earth, and dust to dust,"
Calmly now the words we say,
Left behind we wait in trust
Till the Resurrection-day.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

Luther M. Kuhns, Necrologist.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary.

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Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 were adopted. Recommendation 5 was tabled. (See page 23).

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee has held four meetings since the last Synod.

2. All Constitutional Committees were appointed as in the 1933 Minutes.

3. The bonds were approved for the Treasurer of Synod, the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, and the Treasurer of the Ministerial Education Committee.

4. The bequest of $100 received by Dr. J. H. Miller, Synodical Treasurer, from Mr. Frank Janeke was turned over to the Missionary Committee to be used for some specific missionary project in accordance with the terms of the bequest.

5. The President was authorized to divide the Oshkosh-Lewellen parish for one year if those congregations were willing.

6. The amendments to By-Law 16 proposed and voted upon at the last Synod were declared illegal as they did not meet the requirements of Item 33 in the By-Laws.

7. Rev. E. A. Vosseler was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Reference and Counsel to replace Rev. L. H. Steinhoff who removed from the bounds of the Nebraska Synod.

8. Mr. Gus Prestegaard was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late Mr. J. H. Humpe as Trustee to Tabitha Home.

9. Rev. H. Dumler was appointed to the Committee on Reference and Counsel to replace Rev. M. H. Geissler who removed from the bounds of Synod.

Recommendations:

1. That the President of Synod and Dr. L. M. Kuhns be appointed a committee to arrange for the preservation of the congregation

of Emmanuel Lutheran Church at Dakota City, Nebr., without involving the Synod in any financial obligations.

2. That the Revised Constitution of the Midland Assembly for Church Workers be approved.

3. That, when the United Lutheran Congregation at Columbus, Nebr., has met the required $785, the Executive Committee of Synod be authorized to make a loan of $1900 from the Board of American Missions for 5 years without interest, to be loaned to the United Lutheran Congregation at Columbus, Nebr., for the erection of a house of worship.

4. That, in view of the fact that the Synodical Treasury shows a present balance of $1518.95, $300 be paid to the Missionary Committee, $300 to Midland College and $300 to Tabitha Home. The present balance in the Synodical Treasury is due to the fact that our President has voluntarily returned $1000 to the Synod from his salary since January 1, 1934, making a total of $4000 our President has refunded to Synod since September 1, 1931.

5. That the 1935 Budget be established on the basis of $4 per communicant member; that the amount received on Apportionment be divided as follows: 40% to the U. L. C. A. and 60% to local Synodical work; that the Synodical portion be divided as follows: Synodical Treasury: 19%; Midland College: 23%; Tabitha Home: 10%; Missionary Committee: 5%; Ministerial Education Committee: 3%. The Apportionment for each congregation will appear as a supplement to this report.

6. That a vote on the proposed amendment to Article VIII, Section 3, be taken immediately following this report.

7. That Mr. Albert Hedelund be given an opportunity to explain the situation of the Luther League Hospice in Omaha, Nebr., during the Executive Session of Synod.

8. That 800 copies of the 1934 Minutes be printed.

9. That Rev. George Krebs be allowed a cent a mile for travel expense in coming back to this meeting of Synod for Ordination.

10. That $100 be appropriated to the Committee for Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools for the year 1935.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary

Dr. Jos. H. Miller presented the apportionment table in accordance with the budget adopted by Synod.

Communing membership 10,366
Four dollars per member $41,484.00

The allotment to the churches is as follows:

Allen	$ 424	Nebraska City	$ 392
Auburn	712	North Platte	1,744
Beatrice	416	Omaha, First	920
Benedict	500	Omaha, Grace	948
Broadwater	?	Omaha, K. M.	10,016
Columbus	240	Omaha, Redeemer	976
Dalton	220	Omaha, St. Luke's	1,684
Dakota, Emman.	20	Omaha, St. Mark's	652
Dakota, Salem	420	Oshkosh	152
Davenport	782	Paxton	472
Eagle	116	Ponca	812
Emerson	480	Potter	108
Ericson	52	Rising City	604
Falls City	1,240	Sidney	468
Fremont	1,556	S. Sioux City	660
Grand Island	3,072	Spencer	316
Gurley	340	Stamford	452
Hampton	396	Stella	72
Hardy	288	Sutherland	104

Hildreth	488	Tekamah	192
Homer	420	Vacoma, St. John's	212
Hooper	728	Verdon	552
Hubbard	240	Walton	260
Leigh	488	Wayne	908
Lincoln, Grace	1,308	West Point	1,192
Lincoln, St. Jas.	184	Wilber	220
Lewellen	124	Wolbach	420
McCool Jct.	244	York	424

The Synod has specified the apportionment be divided to the following objects:

United Lutheran Church in America	40%	$16,593.60
Nebraska Synod		
Synod Treasury	19%	7,881.96
Ministerial Education	3%	1,244.52
Tabitha Home	10%	4,148.40
Midland College	23%	9,541.32
Missionary Committee	5%	2,074.20
	100%	$41,484.00

Jos. H. Miller, Treasurer

A motion was made that the proposed Amendment to Article VIII, Section 3, of the Constitution be adopted. This motion was tabled.

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Ballot for President was taken.

Rev. G. E. Mortensen presented a proposed amendment to the Constitution, to be voted on at next regular meeting of Synod, Article VII, Section 1.

ARTICLE VII—SECTION I: Be amended to read: Regular meetings of Synod shall be held annually, beginning on the second Tuesday of October, unless Providentially hindered.

Signed,

George E. Mortensen H. C. Cordts W. H. Saas
C. P. Tranberg A. W. Young H. Dowler G. B. Weaver

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The Report of the Protocol Committee was read by Rev. W. H. Moeller. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

Your committee has examined the printed minutes and finds that all items of the Protocol appear in the regular order in the printed minutes, which by action of Synod are intended to appear.

We found some typographical errors which are manifestly errors of small importance, therefore we call no special attention to them.

However, the following are noteworthy:

1. Omission of dates of Synod on cover or title page.

2. Name of congregation entertaining Synod, Calendar 1934, is "St. John's Lutheran Church, Leigh, Nebr.," instead of "Grace Lutheran Church, Leigh, Nebr."

3. The name of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dakota City, Nebr., is omitted from Protocol and minutes of Synod, page 33; also omitted on page 44 of Minutes of Synod.

4. Secretary's comments are included in body of minutes on pages 38 and 39, and might better appear at bottom of pages as footnotes.

5. Reports of Treasurer of Missionary Committee are signed on typewriter instead of with ink.

6. A consistent error on part of printer is the spelling of "Wilber" incorrectly.

7. The names of Licentiates, Werner Jessen and H. W. Opperman are omitted from the Roll of Synod, in Protocol and Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Moeller, Chairman

Carried that the following be added to Protocol Committee report:

The 75th Anniversary of the founding of Lutheranism in Nebraska was held in Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church during the evening of May 18, 1933. The Historian of Synod delivered the address and Rev. W. C. Stump read letters from the presidents of several Synods. The President of Synod presided at the occasion.

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Rev. J. C. Hershey read the Report of the Trustees of Midland College. Dr. H. F. Martin, President of Midland College, was heard in connection with the Report of the Board of Trustees. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

The Faculty

The faculty and staff for the year 1934-35 are made up as follows: The President, 13 full time teachers, 8 part time teachers including 3 Seminary Professors, 5 school of Fine Arts of which 3 are on full time, 1 treasurer, 1 business manager, 1 assistant registrar, 1 librarian, 1 field secretary, 1 secretary.

Mr. Norman Goodbrod returns after a semester's absence in Chicago.

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Rev. L. H. Steinhoff has resigned as field secretary.

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The Executive Committee recommends that this position be filled at once.

Synod Attendance

The President has attended six synods thus far.

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The Texas Synod voted to send a commissioner to the Board meeting last May and adopted a resolution declaring their interest in Midland College and Western Seminary and their desire to see Western Seminary continued.

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Four young men from Texas will attend Midland College this year. The Iowa Synod also passed strong resolutions commending the work of the seminary and assuring us of their hearty support. The California Synod voted strong commendation of Midland College, but ommitted any reference to the Seminary. The Kansas Synod continued the $1. per capita for Midland College, but expressed their convictions that Western Seminary should be discontinued.

Student enrollment in 1932-33, 741; in 1933-34, 629.

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Student Solicitation

Rev. Steinhoff has organized and systematized the work of student solicitation in a very fine manner.

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Mr. Lawrence, Mr. DeVol and Mr. Reck did excellent work in visiting prospects. The results of this intensive work are evident in

the remarkable increase in the Freshman class this year. More than 115 Freshmen are now on the campus and a number more have made reservations and are expected to arrive at any time.

This convinces us that personal visitation is the best and surest way to secure new students.

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The Board of Trustees

We select a few of the actions that may be of special interest to the members of synod.

1. The tuition was reduced from $80 a semester to $65.

2. Teacher's salaries were reduced 25% from the previous year making a total reduction of 40%.

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4. A committee of three was authorized who should have charge of the Golden Jubilee celebration on September 15, 1937.

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MEMORANDUM OF RECEIPTS BY SYNODS:

On Apportionment: August 31, 1934

	1929-30	1930-31	1931-32	1932-33	1933-34
Nebr. Synod	$6,259.98	$6,674.30	$6,079.85	$4,724.30	$4,471.13

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Nebraska Synod Pledges to Christian Education Fund

Total Pledges ..... $55,867.
Paid to August 31st ..... 35,182.

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Income ..... 1933-34....$34,215.89 — 1932-33....$26,068.53
Expense ..... 1933-34....$32,573.58 — 1932-33....$35,275.72

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The Board of Trustees at the meeting on May 24 adopted the following budget. It is based on the estimate of an enrollment equal to last year. Income $92,070; Expenses $90,854.

J. C. Hershey.

Tellers reported that Dr. W. I. Guss received the necessary majority for election. The Secretary declared Dr. Guss elected as President for a term of 3 years.

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Rev. O. W. Ebright reported that he had brought the greetings of Synod to the Women's Missionary Society at their 1933 Annual Convention.

Rev. W. C. Stump reported that he had brought the greetings of Synod to the Women's Missionary Society at their 1934 Annual Convention.

Mrs. C. H. B. Lewis was introduced by the President, and brought the greetings to Synod from the Women's Missionary Society. Dr. C. B. Harman made the response.

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Rev. W. Strunk, pastor of the German Lutheran Church at Creston, and Dean W. F. Rangeler of Western Seminary were introduced to Synod.

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Mr. Paulus List spoke to Synod, representing the United Lutheran Publication House.

Dr. G. B. Weaver received a necessary majority for election for Vice-President. The President declared Dr. Weaver elected.

A motion prevailed to adjourn into the Executive Session. Prayer was offered by Rev. F. C. Pryor and Rev. H. C. Cordts.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Executive Session of Synod was convened by the President at 11:40 a. m. Prayer was offered by Rev. O. W. Ebright and Rev. L. Swan.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich read the Report of the Examining Committee.

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The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

1. The Rev. Gerhardt Gieschen of Marshfield, Wis., formerly of the Wisconsin Synod of the Synodical Conference, having been called to the St. John's Pastorate of Leigh, Neb., and having applied for membership in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, appeared before the Committee at Kountze Memorial Church, Omaha, Neb., November 21, 1933, was duly examined and gave satisfactory assurance that he would abide by the constitution of the synod and conform to the usages of the United Lutheran Church in America. The committee recommends that he be enrolled as a member of synod.

2. The following young men, all of whom are graduates of the Western Lutheran Theological Seminary, appeared before the committee for examination for ordination:—

Werner Jessen, George Krebs, Leo Nielsen and George Eller. We recommend the following:—

1. That Werner Jessen, having received a Call to become the pastor of our mission at Broadwater, Neb., George Krebs, called to the Pueblo, Col. Church of the Rocky Mountain Synod, and Leo Nielsen, called to the pastorate of our church at Lewellen, Neb., all having passed a satisfactory examination, be ordained at this convention of synod.

2. That George Eller, not having received a Call, but having passed a satisfactory examination, be ordained by the officers of synod at such time as he shall have received a Call.

3. Three young men—Willard W. Alexander, Ernest N. Haugse, and Edward Rohlfing, appeared before the committee for examination for licensure.

We recommend,

1. That Willard W. Alexander, having received a Call to serve our church at Tekamah, as supply pastor, and having passed a satisfactory examination, be licensed, for one year, at this convention of synod.

2. That Ernest N. Haugse and Edward Rohlfing, not having received calls, but having passed a satisfactory examination, be licensed by the President of synod at such time as the necessity may arise.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman

A motion prevailed to adjourn until immediately after

the afternoon Session. Prayer was offered by Dr. C. H. B. Lewis and Rev. J. C. Miller.

BUSINESS SESSION WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The sixth session was convened at 2:05 p. m. by the President. Prayers were offered by Rev. H. Scherer and Rev. L. Weitzenkamp. There was no roll call, but the President declared a quorum present.

The minutes of the 4th Session were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel read the order for the Session.

Rev. R. E. Rangeler read the Report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home. Dr. Walters, Superintendent of Tabitha Home, was heard. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TABITHA HOME

During the past year Tabitha Home has been permitted to serve one hundred and fifty of the Church's helpless, 85 children (48 boys and 37 girls) and 72 aged (37 women and 35 men). Again the year has gone without a death in the orphanage and very little sickness. Nine of the aged passed to their reward.

The Deaconess Motherhouse granted Tabitha's application for two deaconesses. Sister Virginia Wolfe and Sister Lilly Kyzer are now doing a splendid work in the children's department. They are also being used extensively by our Congregations in speaking to young women's organizations concerning the Diaconate. Sister Ida, after more than a quarter of century of service to Tabitha Home, continues as assistant Superintendent.

Financially the road has not been too good. Receipts from all sources have been less. The policy of the U. L. C. is to reduce as rapidly as possible its grants to Tabitha Home, thus placing the entire care of the institution upon the Synods of this territory. Entrance fees have dwindled to almost nothing, and payments for the care of children are much less. These conditions, together with the lack of garden produce and fruits and vegetables, bring Tabitha to anxious days. But in faith and confidence Superintendent Walter and his helpers continue their work, knowing that daily bread will be given.

The Synod of Nebraska has contributed the amount of $1705 thru the Benevolences of Synod and $841.00 in special gifts to Tabitha Home. Besides this, many contributions have been made of fruits, vegetables, canned goods and meats, and clothing and supplies. The Missionary Society again gathered their 'Convention Box Work' for Tabitha Home with an estimated value of $425.00. Kountze Memorial at Christmas time again provided each child with a complete new outfit of clothing. In fact practically every Congregation and Society has had a share in the support of Tabitha Home. For all this Tabitha is very grateful. Total receipts for the last financial year were $24,792.00.

One name will be missing this year from this report. In May of 1907 Mr. J. H. Humpe of Lincoln was elected Synod's Trustee of Tabitha Home, and at the meeting of the Board was chosen its President, and faithfully served in that capacity for almost 28 years. After a brief and sudden illness he died on the 18th of February,

1934. Suitable resolutions were drawn by the Board, read at the funeral services and published in the Lutheran.

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Respectfully submitted,
R. E. Rangeler, Clerical Trustee.

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Several students from Western Seminary were introduced to the Synod by Dean W. F. Rangeler.

Dr. John F. Seibert, representative from the Board of American Missions, was introduced to Synod.

Rev. T. D. Rinde received the required majority for election for Secretary. The President declared Rev. Rinde elected.

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Dr. J. F. Seibert spoke to Synod telling of the work of the Board of American Missions.

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Dr. C. H. B. Lewis spoke as a representative of the Board of Education and the Parish and Church School Board.

Dr. J. H. Miller received a necessary majority for election for Treasurer. The President declared Dr. Miller elected.

The Resolutions Committee presented Resolution No. 4 of its Report. The Resolution was adopted.

Rev. W. H. Saas received a necessary majority for election for Statistician. The President declared Rev. Saas elected.

The Report of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools was read by Dr. G. Keller Rubrecht. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR STUDENT WORK AT NON-LUTHERAN INSTITUTIONS

The importance of religious work on the campuses of non-Lutheran educational institutions is generally recognized today. A recent communication from Secretary Gould Wickey of the Board of Education urges all pastors and religious workers in educational and University centers to stress this type of work as never before.

During the school year of 1933-1934 the work at the University of Nebraska has been carried on under a restricted budget, the part time services of a Student Secretary being engaged by the Committee.

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During the present school year 364 students gave the Lutheran Church as their preference. This number is divided approximately as follows: U. L. C. (two synods) 119; Augustana 70; American Lutheran Church 20; Danish 15; unclassified 15; Missouri 125. The responsibility of this committee is to the groups other than Missouri.

The Committee has set up a Budget of $550.00 for 1934-1935 and again appeals to the various Conferences and Synods for their support. The Board of Education of the U. L. C. has promised $200.-

00 for the next year. With the following suggested amounts this modest budget for the next year can be met. The amounts suggested are $100 from the Nebraska Synod of the U. L. C.; $100 from the German Nebraska Synod of the U. L. C.; $100 from the Nebraska Conference of the Augustana Synod; $50 from the United Danish Synod and $50 from the American Lutheran Church.

Your Committee recommends that Synod continue to support the work financially, as they have in the past, and with continued prayers for God's blessing upon the labors of those who are directly responsible for the work.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Keller Rubrecht,

The Report of the Foreign Mission Committee was read by Rev. W. A. Klink. It was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The appeal of Foreign Missions is heard on every side. Inspite of depressed conditions a great work is still being done. All of the Missions on the field are "GOING" missions in the finest sense of the word, because of the fine spirit, self sacrifice and efficiency of the missionaries. This condition can be seen by the fact that those working on the fields are not asking for more contributions because they think the Church in America is suffering too, and all of us know that it is, but Foreign Missions is a part of the whole church that we must put it alongside of the local work and do our part.

We would urge that all congregations organize a mission study class not only for the women of the church but for the men as well.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. Klink, Chairman

Dr. W. H. Traub read the Report of the Inner Mission Committee. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INNER MISSIONS

Your committee on Inner Missions had no meeting, as there was nothing demanding its attention, and there is nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter H. Traub

The Report of the Joint Inter-Synodical Missionary Committee was read by Dr. C. B. Harman. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF JOINT INTERSYNODICAL MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

In referring to the 1933 Minutes of our Synod, pages 30 and 31, you will read that our Synod adopted without any change the Recommendation of the U. L. C. A. Committee on Constituent Synods. A part of this Recommendation has to do with the appointment of a joint committee on missions. The business of this committee we read is "***to effect a fuller and more satisfactory development of the missionary work of the church on the territory" *** "to consider fields and methods of work, and to indicate which synod shall undertake the same." These resolutions were to be presented to the two synods "for adoption and effectualization."

Your President received a communication from the Secretary of the German Nebraska Synod, which gave the information that the Recommendations had also been adopted by that synod, June 7-11, 1933. However, the communication states, that "two supplementary resolutions were adopted in connection therewith."

It is the opinion of your committee that we are to be guided by

what this body adopted, and as recommended to us by the U. L. C. A. committee on Constituent Synods, also, that if either party to a contract add to or take from, then it does not bind the other party.

The Presidents of the two Synods called a joint committee meeting which was held in Omaha, September 12, 1933. The members of the committee as now organized are: German Synod, Revs. O. W. Heick, F. C. Schuldt, and F. W. Nolte; our Synod, Revs. W. I. Guss, secretary, C. B. Harman and Mr. Otto Nelson; the chairman, as chosen, Prof. Joseph Alexis.

At the first meeting it was agreed "that the work of this committee would have to do with all new work started after the adoption of the Recommendations by both Synods, and that work started before that time would not be considered the business of the committee."

A second meeting of the joint committee was held at Omaha, April 16, 1934, with all members present.

The committee authorized or gave permission to our synod to survey several fields and develop mission work if deemed advisable.

The following action was approved by the joint committee and recommended to be considered by both synods.

1. That the Missionary Committees of the two respective synods be merged into a joint synodical missionary committee of the German Nebraska and the Nebraska Synods, and

2. That the funds allotted to the missionary work of the two synods be also merged for the use of the consolidated committee.

Under date of September 4, 1934, the secretary of the joint Committee was officially notified by the Secretary of the German Synod, that "Recommendations I and II of the Joint Committee were REFUSED."

We recommend that the two recommendations approved by the Joint Committee be adopted.

Respectfully submitted
W. I. Guss, Chairman.

Dr. L. M. Kuhns received a necessary majority for election for Historian. The President declared Dr. Kuhns elected.

Dr. P. W. H. Frederick read the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Your Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief reports that during 1933 one church contributed $25 to the Pension Fund. Adding this amount to the total payments of all churches reported last year shows a total contribution of $42,863.00. The quota for Synod was $49,410.00, a difference of $6,547. The unpaid subscriptions accordingly total $11,893.00.

An inquiry made of pastors of several important churches revealed the fact that the subscriptions in their congregations were no longer collectable. The conditions of the present time furthermore makes it unwise and impossible to urge payments to this Fund. We would recommend to our people to keep this worthy cause in mind and cooperate with the Treasurer in obtaining the payment of unpaid pledges.

Respectfully submitted,
P. W. H. Frederick, Chairman.

Dr. C. B. Harman read the Report of the Ministerial Education Committee. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

The committee held no meetings between the meetings of Synod, conducting all their business by correspondence.

The following officers were elected: Reverends C. B. Harman, K. deFreese and W. A. Klink as Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Rev. A. W. Young was appointed to succeed Rev. K. deFreese.

The Committee distributed the funds turned over by the Treasurer of Synod to the fund as follows: Werner Jessen, Seminary Senior, $100.00; Clarence Alexander, Seminary Junior, $100.00; Ernest Haugse, Seminary Middler, $100.00; Vance Baird, College Senior, $125.00; Blaine Simon, College Senior, $125.

Werner Jessen has graduated from the Seminary and Vance Baird has been granted a two years leave of absence. The following continue on the fund for the coming year: Ernest Haugse, Clarence Alexander, Blaine Simon, Walter Chittenden. In addition the committee voted to extend aid to Paul C. Wharton, college senior for the year and Edward Rohlfing, Seminary Senior, for at least the first semester. The seminarians are to receive $100.00 and the college students, $125.00.

C. B. Harman, Chairman

Rev. J. C. Hershey received a necessary majority for election for Clerical Trustee of Midland College. The President declared Rev. Hershey elected.

Rev. E. A. Vosseler read the Report of the Committee on the synodical Paper. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL PAPER

At the last meeting of our Synod the publication of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran was left to the direction of the Executive Committee, with instructions.

The official paper was published five times, at a cost of $310.73. However, to keep alive the right to send the paper through the mails, the publishers, Perkins Printing Company, donated the cost of one publication, on condition that the Synod pay the cost of mailing.

Recommendation:—That the publication of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran be again left to the Executive Committee to be published only when there are funds to pay for same.

Respectfully submitted,
W. I. Guss, Chairman

Mr. Chas. W. Haas received a necessary majority for election for Lay Trustee of Midland College. The President declared Mr. Haas elected.

The Session adjourned at 4:55. Prayers were offered by Rev. Werner Jessen, Rev. Leo Nielsen and Rev. George Krebs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Executive Session of Synod re-convened at 5 p. m. Prayer was offered by Dr. J. H. Miller and Mr. Albert Hedelund.

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The Session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. H. Gilmer and Rev. Harry Coder.

ORDINATION SERVICE—WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Ordination Service Wednesday night was in charge of the President and the members of the Examining Committee. The Ordination Sermon was preached by Rev. E. C. Mortensen from the text I Timothy 4:12-16.

Those ordained were Rev. Leo Nielsen, Rev. Werner Jessen and Rev. George Krebs. Student Willard Alexander was licensed for one year.

BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY MORNING

The devotional service was conducted by the Chaplain at 8:45.

The Business Session was convened at 9:30. Prayers were offered by Rev. W. M. Daubenspeck and Rev. J. S. Rhine. 62 pastors and laymen responded to roll call. The Minutes of sessions 6 and 7 were read and approved as corrected.

The Report of the Stewardship Committee was read by Rev. F. C. Wiegman. In connection with this Report Rev. I.. Swan discussed the Congregational Plan of Stewardship and Rev. A. W. Young discussed the Conference Plan of Stewardship. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP

The objective of your Committee was to survey the stewardship activities of our congregations, tabulate the same (as per attached), draw conclusions, offer suggestions for an energetic, co-ordinated program. No attempt was made to propagandize, other than through the contacts made with the Conferences by the members of the Committee. It was felt that the correspondence of President Guss, Treasurer Miller, Secretary Black of the Laymen's Movement, was sufficient indoctrination.

Our survey (itemized tabulation is attached) reveals the following. 14 congregations did not report to us. 6 congregations conducted no Every Member Canvass (of these, one paid its benevolence in full, 2 paid their pastors in full). 22 congregations whose budget was underpledged will make no effort to make up the deficiency. 2 congregations rent their parsonages, applying the income to their pastors' salaries. 19 congregations are unable to pay their pastors' salaries without the aid of an organization. 14 congregations paid all salaries in full. 4 paid their benevolence in full. No congregation paying its benevolence, failed to pay its pastor. In 9 congregations much activity is required of the pastor in financial matters (one of these paid its pastor in full). 26 congregations set up budgets (6 of these pledged them in the Canvass). One congregation established no budget, paid all salaries. 9 congregations contributed more to "other causes" than to the apportionment. No congregation paid more apportionment than pastor's salary.

These conclusions are warranted by our survey: 1. There is a definite relationship between the payment of salaries and of apportionment. Congregations that pay their Synodical obligations also pay their local staff. 2. Most congregations set up a larger budget than they subscribe. Either the budget is too large, or not enough planning and effort are devoted to the Canvass. In this connection it may be of value to note that the average amount paid per communing member for pastor's salary (usually a fair norm) was somewhat above $7. Our brethren will do well to analyze their local situations in this respect. 3. Greater interest could be taken with resultant

advantage, by our pastors in financial matters. Several reported they knew nothing of certain fiscal affairs and items, which ought to be of general interest. Whether it be souls, talents, or possessions, we are the leaders of the stewardship within our congregations. Let financial subjects be freely discussed and published throughout the congregations; let the suggestions of the Laymen's Movement be carefully studied and as nearly followed as local conditions will permit.

Our survey shows that much good stewardship work has been done in the past year. It also shows that we have, in some instances, been lax in operating our churches in a business way. Churches that do not adopt a budget or conduct the Every Member Canvass are, in our estimation, taking a backward step. This next year is going to present many problems in finance and because of the serious situation we should use every possible effort, every available Christian method, to keep our churches efficient and effective.

Recommendations

1. That every Church Council be urged by the pastors to budget their church finances, and that the Apportionment be given the same urgent presentation that is given to local expense.
2. That every congregation follow as closely as feasible the Every Member Canvass plan of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship.
3. That financial matters be definitely prayed over at Council meetings and services.
4. That the three conferences devote their next meetings to stewardship matters; and that one appointment from each conference be made to this committee.
5. That the Synodical plan of a definite apportionment to each congregation be continued.
6. That definite publicity be given to each congregation regarding its financial affairs by the pastor with greater frequency than has been done in the past.
7. That this report be read in full to all our congregations on the Sunday immediately following the adjournment of Synod.
8. That this report in full without the tabulation, be printed in the Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred C. Wiegman, Chairman

The Revs. Guss, Harman, Vosseler, Young and Rinde were elected as the Clerical delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America to be held in Savannah, Georgia.

The Report of the Committee on President's Report was read by Rev. G. B. Weaver. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee has examined the report of the President, noting his numerous and arduous duties during the last Synodical year.

We believe President Guss is to be commended for the detailed care of and the supervision which he has given to Synodical matters. Those who have been in his study marvel at the abundance of correspondence and the completeness of records which he has filed during his tenure of office. These are invaluable to future work.

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Your Committee heartily agrees with the recommendations of the President, finding them in accordance with the recommendations of

the United Lutheran Church and the spirit of the Nebraska Synod and therefore believe that they should be adopted.

We further wish to commend the President for the form in which he presented his report, whereby mimeographed copies of same were placed in the hands of every delegate to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

G. B. Weaver, Chairman.

The Revs. Pinkall, Saas, Stump, E. C. Mortensen and Cordts were elected alternate Clerical delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was read by Rev. H. Scherer. The Report was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

Nothing having been presented to the consideration of the committee, there is nothing to report.

Henry Scherer, Chairman

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was read by Rev. F. C. Wiegman. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLVED that we hereby gratefully acknowledge our thankfulness to almighty God for his kindly providence in preserving his church among us.

2. RESOLVED that we hereby express our sincere appreciation of the fine spirit in which our President, W. I. Guss, has served the church, generously waiving his constitutional right to a much larger salary than he has drawn, not only this year but past years.

3. RESOLVED that we hereby express our sincere appreciation of the splendid entertainment of Synod by the pastor and good people of St. John's Lutheran Church of Leigh and for all the many courtesies accorded us.

4. RESOLVED that we pledge our undivided loyalty to the fundamental principles of justice and righteousness as laid down in the constitution of the United States and that we sincerely urge our people to guard well this civic heritage.

FURTHER, that our brethren guard against the inroads of subversive propaganda through allied organizations and individuals whose ultimate purpose is the overthrow of constitutional Government.

FURTHER, that the brethren of Synod use extreme care in permitting their names or the names of the churches to be used in endorsing any propaganda or promotion schemes.

5. RESOLVED that we pledge our loyal support to a program of Christian temperance in all things, especially relative to the use of intoxicants and that we urge our people to challenge the world by an expedient example.

6. RESOLVED that we commend the activity of all agencies for cleansing the stage and screen of indecency and that we continue to express our appreciation of proper productions and that we counsel parents and leaders to supervise their local presentations.

7. Whereas, the plan of the United Lutheran Church in America to merge some of its seminaries did not contemplate the discontinuance of a seminary on this Western territory (See minutes of the Philadelphia Convention, page 453), and,

Whereas, the constant agitation concerning the merger of seminaries and the publicity about the discontinuance of seminaries has

been constantly disturbing the constituency of our Western Theological Seminary and thus greatly hindering its support and progress, and,

Whereas, Western Theological Seminary is now the only seminary operating in this vast territory of the Middle and South West; therefore, be it RESOLVED,

a. That it is the judgment of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska that the welfare of the church, its preservation and extension in this territory demands the continuance and strengthening of the Western Theological Seminary.

b. That it is the Sense of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska that the United Lutheran Church in America should cease, and cause its agencies to cease any further agitation or movement looking to the discontinuance of Western Theological Seminary on this territory, but should, on the other hand, lend its influence and all possible aid to the support and strengthening of this institution for the welfare of the future extension and upbuilding of the church in this vast territory of the West.

c. That this entire resolution be sent in the form of a memorial to the United Lutheran Church.

8. RESOLVED that this Synod go on record as unequivocally opposed to the present irreverent and loose attitude toward marriage, divorce, and general morality, and to strengthen our position in this matter, that we, the members of the clergy, as shepherds of our flocks, hereby bind ourselves personally to the Biblical standards.

9. RESOLVED that these resolutions be publicly read in our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred C. Wiegman, Chairman

Messrs. Philip Hudson, Evan Miller, Charles W. Haas, Albert Hedelund and G. E. Hickman were elected as lay-delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges was read by Rev. G. E. Mortensen. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHARGES

Your Committee begs leave to report:

1. THAT, the "UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH of Broadwater, Nebraska" has made regular application for membership in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, has submitted a copy of their regularly adopted Constitution, and has manifested a fine spirit of willingness to cooperate in the larger work of the church.

WE RECOMMEND, that this congregation be admitted to this Synod.

2. THAT, ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH of Vacoma and Vicinity" has made formal application for membership into the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, has submitted a letter of dismissal and transfer from the German Nebraska Synod, and a copy of a Constitution satisfactory to your committee. We believe this congregation has a real opportunity to render valuable service in the Kingdom.

WE RECOMMEND, that this congregation be admitted to this Synod.

3. THAT, your committee was consulted by "TRINITY LUTH-

ERAN CHURCH of Wolbach, Nebraska" relative to an amendment to vitalize and strengthen the congregation's relationship to Synod.

WE RECOMMEND, that Synod approve this amendment, and the fine spirit of cooperation which prompted it.

Respectfully submitted,
Geo. E. Mortensen, Chairman

Messrs. E. G. Hopkins, Fred Holmstedt, Ed. Wochner, B. W. Braasch and Algie Wibbles were elected alternate lay-delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Mr. Gus Prestegaard was elected lay-member of the Executive Committee of Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Church Architecture was read by Rev. A. H. Pinkall. The Report was adopted.

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The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was read by Rev. H. Dumler. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE MINUTES

We, your committee on Conference Minutes have examined the minutes of the North Platte Conference, and the South Platte Conference. The North Platte Conference submitted a constitution. The committee examined the constitution and found it in harmony with the constitution of Synod. The minutes of the Western Conference were not presented to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Dumler, Chairman

Rev. Geo. E. Mortensen was elected as clerical member of the Executive Committee of Synod.

The Session then adjourned. Prayer was offered by Rev. G. E. Moeller and Rev. E. A. Dorner.

BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Session convened at 2 P. M. A hymn was sung and prayers were offered by Rev. C. P. Tranberg and Rev. E. C. Mortensen. There was no roll call and the Minutes of the morning session were not read.

The Report of the Parish and Church School Committee was read by Rev. C. H. B. Lewis. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Committee as a whole held no meetings, to save expense, but business was transacted by correspondence and by personal conferences between the chairman and members of the committee.

The Committee decided to choose a few things for special emphasis during the year, namely, Leadership Education, The Christian Life Course, Vacation Church Schools, and the Parish School Magazine.

In January, a request for information on these items was sent to all pastors. * * * 15 reported having Vacation Church Schools; 22 reported using the Christian Life Course in whole or in part; 7 reported Leadership classes. * * * 9 schools reported using the Parish School Magazine. * * *

Five congregations of this Synod and one of the German Nebras-

ka Synod cooperated in a Youth Conference held in St. Mark's Church, near Verdon. Over 75 young people participated in the conference. * * *

Some Church schools of this Synod, in the central part of the state have cooperated with schools of the German Nebraska Synod in a Lutheran Church School Association. Other areas have in mind the forming of similar associations.

Recommendations:

1. That all pastors use, as far as possible, the plans for Parish Education Month, as prepared by the Parish and Church School Board and sanctioned by many leaders in the Church.

2. That the Schools not now using the Christian Life Course arrange to introduce the course in October of this year, when the three-year cycle of lessons begins again.

3. That Church Schools begin planning now to have Leadership classes either in their own churches or in approved community schools, and we further recommend that pastors procure the new Leadership texts and urge their use so that all schools may soon have an adequately trained corps of leaders.

4. That the Schools use more extensively the Parish School Magazine, with its special helps for all departments and for the Monthly Workers' Conference programs.

5. That steps be taken to form district or regional Lutheran Church School Associations for the promotion of better work in parish education, and that such associations be intersynodical, where it is possible to get such cooperation from other Lutheran congregations.

6. That this Committee be so constituted as to represent each Conference of the Synod, and that each Conference appoint a similar cooperating committee.

7. That adequate recognition be given to parish education by the consideration of various phases of parish education in the programs of the Conferences each year.

The Parish and Church School Committee
C. H. B. Lewis, Chairman

The Report of the Missionary Committee was read by Mr. Albert Hedelund. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

1. The officers of the Committee are: Mr. O. Nelson, President; Mr. Albert Hedelund, Treasurer, and W. I. Guss, Secretary and Missionary Superintendent. Since the last meeting of Synod the Committee has had six meetings.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Missions of the Synod and your Committee since the last annual report to this body:—

2. SOUTH SIOUX CITY: Organized in 1920. Rev. A. H. Pinkall is the pastor. The attendance at worship has been increasing as well as the communing membership. 25 new adults were added to the membership and 33 children were baptized. The enrollment in the daily vacation Bible School was 95. The Sunday School continues to increase. The total paid out for 1933 was $3,037. Of this amount $668 was for benevolence. The pastor writes that the Easter attendance and offering were the largest ever. The Future of this Mission is very encouraging.

3. SIDNEY-POTTER: Organized in 1886 and 1892. Dr. W. T. Kahse is the pastor. There were 18 adult accessions at Sidney. The membership of the congregation and the church school has increased. Because of the drouth the financial situation has been discouraging.

However, the pastor continues to be optimistic and the future of this field under his supervision is sure to be successful.

4. SPENCER: Organized in 1930. Rev. Hugh Dowler has been the pastor. However, he has resigned and will relinquish the work September 16th. During the past year a church property has been purchased at a cost of $1,000.00. This amount was borrowed from the Board of American Missions with the understanding that it would be repaid at the rate of not less than $100 per annum. One payment has already been made and the cash is on hand for another payment. About 150 adults have been added to the membership since the church was started. The communing membership is 79. The confirmed membership is 154 and the Sunday School enrollment is 77. Pastor Dowler in spite of the drouth and grasshoppers has done a most commendable work, and leaves the field in a good condition for his successor.

5. COLUMBUS: Organized in 1931. Rev. Wallace S. Livers is the pastor. During the past years of this congregation's existence it has passed through some very trying and discouraging days. It begins now to appear that the sunlight of brighter days is beginning to dawn. Since the last report, the Mission has purchased a property, mention of which appears in the President's report. The pastor resides in the house on this site and church services have been held, since this property was acquired, in the home of the pastor. The Women's Missionary Society of Nebraska gave our Committee $262.38 with the understanding that it be given to the Columbus church. The balance due on the church's property is $975.00. The assessed valuation of this property for taxation is $3500. Pastor Livers has informed the Committee that the congregation has raised $785.00 and has thus been able to meet the financial requirements of the Board of American Missions as specified in the contents of the recommendations Item 3, of the Executive Committee's Report, which was adopted at this meeting of Synod. (See Executive Committee's Report). The erection of the new chapel will soon be a reality.

6. LINCOLN, ST. JAMES: Organized in 1924. This congregation became self-sustaining during the past year. In order to refinance the church the Board of American Missions made an additional loan of $500.00. The Board also requested that our Synod cancel all notes held against this congregation in the event that the $500 was loaned. Your Committee had no authority to cancel these notes. However, we present a recommendation as to this matter for your consideration.

7. BROADWATER: Organized July 15, 1934. Sixty-four charter members were enrolled, 38 are in the Sunday School. The congregation worships in the Episcopal Chapel. Rev. Werner Jessen has been called and is on the field. The congregation is applying for membership to this Synod. An Application for aid from the Board of American Missions has been made.

8. Services are regularly held at Scribner. The Sunday School uses the "Christian Life Course" and has an attendance of about 40. This group of people have not been organized but the attendance has been as many as 68.

9. Three notes are held by your Committee as follows:

May 25, 1931—St. James, Lincoln—3 years, 3% $771.87
March 1, 1931—St. James, Lincoln—3 years, 3% $248.00
January 1, 1932—Trinity, United, Dalton—2 years, 6%; balance unpaid $127.87

10. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. That the three notes held against the St. James Church, Lincoln, by the Nebraska Synod and the Missionary Committee be renewed and the interest be forgiven until such time as the Congregation may be able to pay the same.

b. That, in accord with the policy of the Board of American

Missions, when any congregation or any church organization contributes financial aid to a Mission that is supported by the funds of this Missionary Committee or the Board of American Missions, then it is requested that the amount shall be reported to this Committee.

11. Attached hereto is the Treasurer's Report and the Auditor's Report.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
W. I. Guss, Secretary.

Missionary Committee Treasurer's Report From April 17, 1933 to August 31, 1934 — Open Checking Account

RECEIPTS

April 17, 1933 Balance on hand in open checking account	$ 46.05
Received from Ev. Luth. Synod of Nebraska	1702.00
Transferred from Savings Account to open checking account	300.00
Received from Women's Missionary Society of Nebraska a/c Columbus	107.19
Received from U. L. Church of Dalton, Nebr., to apply on note	15.67
Receipts $2124.86 plus $46.05 makes total	$2170.91

DISBURSEMENTS

April 18, 1933 to August 31, 1934:	
Salary to W. S. Livers, Columbus Mission, 17 months	$850.00
Salary to W. I. Guss 17 months	425.00
Expense—supplies for Scribner and expense items	122.86
Expense items by W. I. Guss—gen. office exp stationery etc	65.87
Expense for committee members to attend meetings	49.55
Paid to Columbus Mission—Women's Missionary Society funds	155.00
Paid to Columbus Mission—Women's Missionary Society funds	107.19
Expense items for Columbus	8.40
Expense and salaries at Bridgeport and Broadwater	121.51
Interest on St. James Lincoln note	220.50
Treasurer's bond	5.00
Bank charge—excess checks	.12
Bank charges—government tax on checks	1.48
Total disbursements	$2132.48

$2170.91 less $2132.48 leaves $38.43 BALANCE ON HAND IN OPEN CHECKING ACCOUNT.

Savings Account

RECEIPTS

April 17, 1933 Balance on hand	$413.60
Received from Ev. Luth. Synod of Nebraska	400.00
Interest on Savings Account	10.49
Total receipts $410.49 plus balance $413.60 equals	$824.09

DISBURSEMENTS

April 17, 1933 to Augut 31, 1934:	
Transferred to open checking account	$300.00
$824.09 less $300.00 leaves $524.09 BALANCE IN SAVINGS ACCOUNT	$524.09

Respectfully submitted,
Albert Hedelund, Treasurer.

Auditor's Report of the Missionary Committee Treasurer's Records

This is to certify that I have this day audited the books of the treasurer, Mr. Albert Hedelund, and that I find them to be correct and in balance.

The audit was made as of August 31, 1934.

Balance in the United States National Bank checking account $38.43
Balance in United States National Bank, Savings Department savings account $524.09

Yours Respectfully,
V. B. Elseffer

The Report of the Committee on the State of the Church was read by Rev. W. T. Kahse. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF CHURCH

YOUR COMMITTEE BEGS LEAVE TO REPORT:

That out of 54 churches 46 sent in their report. * * * A careful study of the reports received shows:

Public Worship

29 churches report one service a Sunday; 14 have two services, Falls City 3 services, K. M. 4 services and Potter and Ericson 1 service every other Sunday.

The attendance of 24 churches is increasing, 16 stationary and 2 decreasing. 2 churches have part of their services in German. 4 churches hold mid-week services. * * * 11 churches had week-day Lenten Devotions. * * * Of evening services, 7 report Vespers; 7 song and Evangelistic services. 14 report their evening services in charge of the Young People.

The Congregations using the Common Service number 30. 16 still cling to the Book of Worship. * * *

40 churches show an average attendance of 98. 16 have evening services giving the average per church of 39.

Family Worship

As to the extent of Family Worship only 3 pastors show encouraging interest in their churches. 25 pastors were unable to estimate the interest of their congregations as to family worship and 4 failed to answer this part of the questionaire. * * * We regret to note that the Church is failing to use this most influential means of strengthening the spiritual life of its membership. Is it not time to give this matter our most prayerful consideration?

Festival Seasons

40 congregations observed the main festivals of the Church-year. A growing interest is noted in the observation of Lent. * * *

Lutheran Practice

The Quarterly Communion services are observed in all churches, with 3 exceptions. * * *

There is a growing interest noted in Catechetical Instruction. All churches are using this valuable method. * * * "It is the best way of building up a dependable church-membership." * * *

The Sunday School

Lutheran literature is used exclusively in 38 schools. * * * The per cent of scholars attending divine worship is 56. 10 Schools report their entire church council present while in three schools not a member of the church council is found. * * *

Church Records

* * * By far the larger number of church records are reported in good order. * * *

Out of 46 congregations, only one reports the books of their financial secretary and treasurer poorly kept. * * * 21 congregations audit the books of their treasurer. * * *

Miscellaneous

Three churches have paid workers beside the pastor and associate pastor. * * *

31 pastors serve 1 church. 7 pastors have 2 churches. 1 church cares for 3 missions. * * *

The property of 34 congregations is adequately insured. * * *

Respectfully submitted,
William T. Kahse, Chairman.

A motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be authorized to edit and condense reports for the printed Minutes.

The Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. E. A. Vosseler. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

The committee on Evangelism considering what it might fairly undertake for the year, decided to lay stress on the devotions in the home. Accordingly a series of Bible readings was prepared and published in the synodical paper, thus making them available to all people. Wherever there is a church in the home, the pastors work is lightened and the Kingdom of Christ enlarged.

Further the committee desires to be helpful in aiding the laymembers of the church to take a greater part in bringing the Gospel to their friends, their neighbors and their community.

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The committee recommends that the Advent season be used by our churches not only to strengthen the faith of the members, but to reach out and bring the Gospel to the indifferent.

The committee recommends that a concerted effort be made to establish the Family Altar in all our homes; that special sermons be preached; that literature be distributed; that Bible readings and prayer calendars be distributed monthly, if possible, or quarterly; that prayer be made that the Holy Spirit direct and bless every endeavor to accomplish this work.

The committee recommends that an appropriation of $25 be made to the committee to cover literature, helps and expenses.

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. Vosseler, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Young People's Work was read by Rev. E. C. Mortensen. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Your committee sent out a brief questionaire to the pastors of Synod, and 21 were returned to us. * * *

The young people are ministered to in the various churches with Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Saturday Schools of Religion, Catechetical Classes, Leadership Training Classes, Young Women's Missionary Societies, Regular Sunday School and Church Services, and Pastoral Visitation, in addition to the Luther League. We firmly believe that the Luther League gives the Young People a kind of training for active Christian service which surpasses that of all others. Let us do all we can for our young people. They are abundantly worth it.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. Mortensen.

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Midland Assembly was read by Rev. T. D. Rinde. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

Since the 1933 Convention of Synod the Midland Assembly for Church Workers has been held twice, July 30 to August 5, 1933, and July 29 to August 4, 1934.

Faculty

The following appeared on the Assembly Faculty both years:

Dr. C. H. B. Lewis of Fremont, Nebr., Miss Amanda Jorn of Falls City, Nebr., Mrs. E. B. Pflueger of Omaha and Mrs. J. P. Jensen of Lawrence, Kansas. The 1933 faculty also included: Dr. J. A. Leas of Chicago, Dr. Mary E. Markley of Washington, D. C., Dr. G. N. Mendenhall of Fremont, Nebr., Miss Amelia D. Kemp of Philadelphia, Rev. A. J. Beil of Des Moines, Iowa, Rev. H. C. Cordts of Falls City, Nebr., Professor Oscar Lyders of Fremont, Nebr., Mrs. Erwin Enke of Emerson, Nebr., and Missionaries Metta Blair of India, Helene Harder of Japan, and Myrtle Wilke of South America.

In addition to the first four mentioned above, the 1934 faculty included: Dr. W. F. Rangeler of Fremont, Nebr., Dr. B. R. Lantz of Salina, Kansas, Rev. H. J. McGuire of St. Joseph, Mo., Missionary L. W. Slifer of India, Miss Nona M. Diehl of Philadelphia, Miss Frances Dysinger of Washington, D. C., Mr. H. J. Wood of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Mr. J. K. Jensen of Janesville, Wis.

Registration

In 1933 the registration reached a total of 305, that being the peak year thus far. The total registration for 1934 was 250. While the registration dropped in 1934, yet the total average attendance at the morning sessions of the Assembly compares favorably with the year 1933 and other previous years. The total average attendance at the morning sessions for the past six Assemblies has ranged from 331 to 385.

Finances

In 1933 the receipts from the congregational organizations and the free-will offerings at the Assembly sessions were sufficient to meet all expenses, leaving an operating surplus of $17.64. In 1934 it was necessary to use $4.48 from the reserve fund in order to meet all expenses.

Administration

The officers for the current year, 1934-35, are:
President: Rev. Thomas D. Rinde, Nebraska City, Nebr.
Vice-President: Mrs. G. H. Haase, Emerson, Nebr.
Secretary: Rev. F. C. Wiegman, North Platte, Nebr.
Treasurer: Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Benedict, Nebr.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas D. Rinde, President.

The Report of the Committee on Claims was read by Rev. C. R. Lowe. The Report was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS

The committee on Claims would respectfully recommend that Rev. E. A. Vosseler be allowed $1.35 for 100 Synodical programs, and that Belle Bliss, public stenographer and Notary, be allowed $6.65 for balance due and for typing reports, Historical, Necrology, Chronology and Exhibits. Same OKed by Dr. L. M. Kuhns.

C. R. Lowe, Chairman.

A motion prevailed that $4 be allowed toward travel expense for each pastor and lay-delegate living west of North Platte.

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was read by Rev. E. A. Vosseler. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCES

The following members of Synod have presented excuses and the Committee recommends that they be excused:
Rev. H. Joens from all sessions.
Rev. J. A. Lowe from all sessions.
Rev. O. D. Baltzly from all sessions.
Rev. G. E. Moeller Tuesday and Wednesday.
Rev. Geo. Krebs Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. H. C. Cordts Wednesday afternoon and Thursday.
Rev. F. C. Wiegman Tuesday sessions.
Rev. L. M. Kuhns Wednesday afternoon and Thursday.
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WM. IRA GUSS, President,
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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL L

Line Number	Parish	Congregation	When Organized	Pastor	Congregations	Membership			Accession			
									Child		Ad	
						Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Otherwise	Baptism	Confirmation
	North Platte Conference											
1	Allen	First	1912	Miller, J. C.	1	208	204	106	6	...	1	14
2	Columbus	United	1930	Livers, W. S.	1	127	83	60	8	11	1	5
3	Dakota City	Salem	1872	Weaver, G. B.	1	258	174	105	9	2	4	...
4	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Vacant								
5	Emerson	St. Luke's	1911	Vosseler, E. A.	1	581	356	120	26	...	2	...
6	Fremont	Salem	1902	Pryor, F. C.	1	713	532	389	17	7	3	25
7	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Moeller, G. E.	1	191	178	105	18	...	...	23
8	Hooper	Grace	1915	Moeller, W. H.	1	300	201	182	9	6	...	9
9	Hubbard	Trinity	1909	Moeller, G. E.	1	95	87	60	2	...	5	16
10	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Gieschen, G.	1	352	232	122	3	...	...	6
11	Omaha	First	1907	Martin, W. F.	1	559	283	230	22	14	5	16
12	Omaha	Grace	1889	Mortensen, G. E.	1	509	275	237	25	1	3	8
13	Omaha	Kountze	1858	Traub, W. H.	1	5381	3825	2504	104	108	72	144
14	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	deFreese, K.	1	472	346	244	15	13	3	18
15	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	Ebright, O. W.	1	707	516	421	40	...	10	32
16	Omaha	St. Mark's	1886	Stump, W. C.	1	375	238	163	10	4	2	...
17	Ponca	Salem	1866	Weitzenkamp, L. C.	1	309	239	203	13	5	3	25
18	South Sioux City	First	1920	Pinkall, A. H.	1	414	222	165	33	4	2	13
19	Tekamah	Immanuel	1858	Vacant	1	129	67	48	4	...	...	...
20	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Heidenreich, W. C.	1	514	353	227	11	4	1	11
21	West Point	Grace	1874	Klink, W. A.	1	605	351	298	16	...	1	16
22	Vacoma	St. John's		Moeller, W. H.								
				Conference Totals	20	12799	8763	5989	391	179	118	381
	South Platte Conference											
1	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	Swan, L. A.	1	376	222	178	7	...	1	12
2	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	Lowe, C. R.	1	194	158	104	4	2	2	5
3	Benedict	Zion	1881	Mortensen, E. C.	1	201	150	125	6	...	2	6
4	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Hershey, J. C.	1	416	227	183	12	...	3	5
5	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Rangeler, R. E.	1	50	35	29	2	...	2	4
6	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Cordts, H. C.	1	570	390	310	9	...	3	8
7	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Dumler, H.	1	192	154	99	...	...	...	...
8	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Davis, R. V.	1	205	105	72	5	...	1	...
9	Lincoln	Grace	1890	Rubrecht, G. K.	1	647	504	327	6	...	1	10
10	Lincoln	St. James	1925	Rangeler, R. E.	1	71	64	46	...	...	...	...
11	McCool Junction	First	1900	Coder, H. F.	1	176	114	61	4	5	1	6
12	Nebraska City	First	1866	Rinde, T. D.	1	219	160	98	2	18	...	8
13	Rising City	First	1881	Tranbers, C. P.	1	324	219	151	6	...	3	13
14	Stella	Trinity	1884	Saas, W. H.	1	51	36	18	...	...	...	...
15	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	Saas, W. H.	1	246	171	138	11	1	6	7
16	Walton	Grace	1916	Rangeler, R. E.	1	156	120	65	4	...	...	5
17	Wilber	First	1889	Gilmer, E. H.	1	191	79	55	3	...	...	3
18	York	First	1927	Coder, H. F.	1	203	141	106	8	14	6	11
				Conference Totals	18	4488	3049	2165	89	40	48	103
	Western Conference											
1	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Joens, H.	1	106	63	55	10	3	4	4
2	Ericson	First	1898	Rhine, J. S.	1	42	33	13	...	...	...	...
3	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	Harman, C. B.	1	1554	992	768	60	1	28	53
4	Gurley	Grace	1916	Joens, H.	1	192	100	85	4	1	...	6
5	Hildreth	St. Paul's		Dorner, E. A.	1	229	172	122	...	...	...	...
6	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Daubenspeck, W. M.	1	147	80	31	2	6	...	...
7	North Platte	First	1880	Wiegman, F. C.	1	991	711	436	29	11	6	11
8	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Daubenspeck, W. M.	1	165	79	38	6	1	1	...
9	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Kemper, C. H.	1	254	169	119	9	...	11	7
10	Potter	First	1892	Kahse, W. T.	1	75	41	27	3	...	...	...
11	Sidney	Trinity	1886	Kahse, W. T.	1	291	151	117	14	7	4	14
12	Spencer	United	1930	Dowler, H.	1	201	134	79	4	6	9	8
13	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Young, A. W.	1	192	141	113	6	...	1	6
14	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Kemper, C. H.	1	84	59	26	1	...	1	1
15	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Rhine, J. S.	1	248	168	130	13	6	3	5
16	Broadwater	United	1934	Jessen, W.								
				Conference Totals	15	4771	3023	2159	161	42	68	115
			1933	Synodical Totals	53	22058	14905	10313	441	241	236	580
			1932	Synodical Totals	53	20821	14101	9391	609	297	209	587

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PAROCHIAL

Line Number	Losses						Ch. Papers			Church Schools							
	t		Child		Adult					Sunday				Weekday			
	Certificate	Otherwise	Death	Otherwise	Death	Certificate	Otherwise	Sub. Official Papers	S. S. Papers Distributed	Sub. Other Church Papers	Number	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Home Dep't.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Scholars	Catechumens
1	4	...	..	9	3	...	2	2	66	...	1	16	132	..	9	..	...	....	14
2	3	8	..	...	...	...	1	2	5	1	1	8	53	..	...	..	...	....	16
3	..	1	..	...	...	...	1	1	....	...	1	13	94	..	20	1	4	37	11
4	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	....	...
5	7	5	..	7	1	...	...	15	...	...	1	20	223	..	64	1	10	125	20
6	23	...	1	4	5	5	...	35	145	...	1	35	365	..	56	2	8	135	40
7	..	...	..	...	...	...	15	1	40	...	1	12	80	..	...	..	...	....	33
8	2	27	..	5	2	6	...	7	45	30	1	15	98	3	15	1	...	....	11
9	..	22	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	45	..	...	..	...	....	27
10	4	...	..	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	1	12	124	..	21	..	...	....	12
11	8	9	3	5	4	2	...	6	125	...	1	27	263	..	19	1	8	38	18
12	6	17	1	...	1	2	...	...	75	...	1	23	176	..	...	1	8	63	19
13	36	53	..	...	28	52	24	...	700	...	4	147	1979	..	240	..	...	....	352
14	10	...	..	12	2	4	11	10	175	40	1	38	415	..	12	1	8	70	.....
15	..	24	..	...	4	9	92	15	120	60	1	32	392	..	...	1	6	67	32
16	..	2	..	...	1	...	...	15	100	45	1	22	154	..	9	1	9	95	10
17	16	...	..	1	2	2	31	...	...	...	1	16	140	..	19	1	9	63	26
18	..	10	1	7	3	...	1	4	...	...	1	20	200	..	57	1	10	85	...
19	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	5	40	8	1	18	90	..	...	..	...	....	12
20	3	...	1	2	...	...	...	2	60	11	1	18	146	..	20	..	...	....	27
21	8	2	1	...	4	...	...	31	120	...	1	27	245	..	...	..	...	....	....
22	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	....	....
	28	180	8	52	63	84	178	151	1818	195	23	524	5414	3	561	12	80	778	680
23	3	5	..	...	3	...	...	3	10	...	1	...	192	..	...	1	7	87	13
24	2	1	..	...	2	...	...	5	60	15	1	16	97	..	17	..	...	....	5
25	..	...	..	...	...	2	...	2	54	12	1	30	136	5	25	..	...	....	21
26	2	...	..	...	3	...	...	13	74	72	1	29	194	..	16	..	...	....	10
27	..	...	..	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	....	2
28	8	20	..	...	4	...	...	50	10	60	1	22	185	..	55	..	...	....	12
29	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	45	...	1	7	100	..	...	..	...	....	5
30	..	...	..	...	...	1	...	1	12	36	2	22	215	..	15	..	...	....	11
31	17	9	..	90	2	12	9	10	75	30	1	38	271	..	30	..	...	....	23
32	5	...	..	...	1	3	...	...	18	6	1	12	98	..	...	..	...	....	13
33	2	5	..	...	1	...	...	1	40	...	1	9	65	..	13	..	...	....	4
34	1	1	..	...	...	1	4	5	55	...	1	17	78	..	...	..	...	....	17
35	1	...	..	...	1	1	...	18	150	2	1	16	180	..	...	1	6	95	9
36	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	1	5	24	..	...	..	...	....	....
37	3	...	..	...	1	...	...	3	20	17	1	15	163	..	15	1	4	30	.....
38	..	...	..	...	...	1	...	...	12	...	1	4	30	..	10	..	...	....	13
39	..	...	..	...	1	...	...	...	50	...	1	20	105	..	20	..	...	....	10
40	1	5	..	...	2	2	...	3	60	...	1	8	80	..	...	..	...	....	8
	15	46	1	90	22	25	13	115	780	250	18	270	2213	5	216	3	17	212	176
41	3	2	1	1	2	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	..	...	1	4	30	8
42	..	...	..	...	1	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	....	...
43	4	2	1	5	9	6	10	8	240	...	1	46	391	..	60	..	...	....	90
44	2	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	1	12	105	14	20	1	4	33	6
45	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	....	....
46	2	...	..	...	1	...	...	5	...	...	1	9	61	..	10	..	...	....	....
47	3	9	1	...	5	10	...	20	150	62	2	36	293	27	68	1	12	74	....
48	2	...	..	...	1	...	...	...	24	9	1	14	107	..	19	..	...	....	...
49	..	2	..	2	2	3	...	1	5	...	1	17	156	..	31	..	...	....	22
50	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	5	...	1	3	30	..	...	..	...	....	5
51	1	...	..	2	4	5	5	1	25	3	1	12	136	5	8	..	...	....	18
52	..	1	..	...	2	...	...	1	35	...	1	7	70	..	...	1	1	8	6
53	1	...	..	...	4	...	...	5	32	1	1	14	122	..	4	..	...	....	11
54	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	1	5	32	..	...	..	...	....	....
55	..	6	..	2	2	...	...	9	60	...	1	11	65	..	...	..	...	....	26
	18	21	4	12	33	24	18	52	620	76	14	186	1568	46	220	4	21	143	112
	49	247	13	154	118	133	209	318	3158	521	55	980	9195	54	897	19	118	1133	1048
	82	228	66	274	117	168	374	259	4078	488	53	1021	8099	43	965	18	123	1040	492

FINANCIAL

y		Congregational Exp.			Congregational Benevolence									Summary	
					Apportioned			Unapportioned							
Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Other Benevolence	Total Unapportioned Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
19000	1350	1190	150	1340	127	..	489	40	44	77	50	28	239	366	1706
3507	1078	1529	1350	2879	126	..	204	2	....	19	3	25	49	175	3054
17000	.....	1204	.....	1204	179	..	283	23	14	...	98	78	213	392	1596
30000	.....	2200	102	2302	315	..	318	17	45	...	26	207	295	610	2912
07000	38405	7163	645	7808	940	..	1051	40	125	...	74	134	373	1313	9121
3900	.....	814	.....	814	7	..	686	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	821
30000	12074	2298	100	2398	297	..	479	10	5	...	35	60	110	407	2805
3500	270	177	201	378	11	..	204	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	389
22500	1378	939	185	1124	84	..	422	..	5	...	10	....	15	99	1223
18600	800	4593	567	5160	607	..	306	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	71	678	5838
31200	.....	3974	35	4009	287	..	857	18	.....	.....	107	.....	125	412	4421
51268	.....	20482	2201	22683	4730	..	9185	782	661	115	1035	290	2883	7613	30296
30000	500	2831	452	3283	1051	..	.....	174	153	5	57	24	413	1464	4747
80000	42000	4308	3368	7676	2220	3	.....	.....	75	...	11	249	335	2555	10231
25000	.....	3420	.....	3420	869	..	.....	19	125	26	77	355	602	1471	4891
25000	1500	1453	234	1687	129	..	713	5	10	..	5	118	138	267	1954
24500	5900	2369	.....	2369	594	..	121	28	....	12	34	....	74	668	3037
16900	.....	718	.....	718	15	..	321	15	.....	...	10	77	102	117	835
16000	.....	1944	175	2119	411	..	799	103	.....	...	49	67	219	630	2749
52000	.....	2464	220	2684	927	..	1339	27	50	30	....	53	160	1087	3771
76875	103255	66070	9985	76055	13926	3	17777	1374	1312	284	1681	1765	6416	20342	96397
27000	1500	1920	217	2137	774	..	156	56	57	...	36	2	151	925	3062
32500	.....	1777	50	1827	33	..	517	.....	.....	.....	13	5	18	51	1878
14000	.....	1168	100	1268	603	..	35	9	37	44	70	33	193	796	2064
33500	.....	2136	444	2580	155	..	835	252	96	10	102	32	492	647	3227
2000	.....	242	.....	242	9	..	134	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	251
18000	2800	1360	293	1653	438	..	893	.....	.....	28	85	29	142	580	2233
8500	.....	656	.....	656	53	..	547	.....	.....	...	13	...	13	66	722
26000	.....	1142	33	1175	17	..	423	3	.....	7	15	13	38	55	1230
35000	.....	6424	3000	9424	947	..	670	15	41	7	50	186	299	1246	10670
10000	8519	464	.....	464	149	..	93	36	13	..	15	56	120	269	733
12500	.....	888	.....	888	126	..	243	85	.....	12	15	.....	112	238	1126
42000	225	1665	128	1793	241	..	271	53	6	...	29	60	148	389	2182
33100	.....	1954	10	1964	401	..	397	39	33	19	54	217	362	763	2727
3700	.....	451	23	474	40	..	37	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	60	534
7300	.....	831	29	860	170	..	446	81	19	...	7	108	215	385	1245
7000	.....	662	75	737	42	..	349	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	779
7150	.....	1240	.....	1240	119	..	228	27	113	...	25	....	165	284	1524
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4000	127	311	48	359	.....	..	231	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	359
1200	140	32	13	45	14	..	96	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	32	77
13000	.....	4880	.....	4880	1159	..	1454	167	.....	.....	241	121	529	1688	6568
4000	.....	636	10	646	108	..	349	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	108	754
3000	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5800	200	509	.....	509	10	..	177	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	519
40000	14700	5697	668	6365	2112	..	.....	130	35	...	123	239	527	2639	9004
8500	1200	627	.....	627	23	..	170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	650
7000	.....	1504	25	1529	432	..	80	.....	15	...	11	....	26	458	1987
6000	.....	277	.....	277	32	..	122	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	87	364
11000	600	1115	40	1155	295	..	233	109	.....	.....	10	....	119	414	1569
1150	1000	414	20	434	65	..	205	40	.....	.....	3	.....	43	108	542
4500	3000	1513	155	1668	223	..	272	61	.....	.....	50	30	141	364	2032
4000	.....	309	.....	309	32	..	89	.....	.....	.....	3	....	3	35	344
6500	550	592	225	817	191	..	442	99	5	...	40	....	144	335	1152
9650	24017	18416	1204	19620	4696	..	3920	654	80	..	481	390	1605	6301	25921
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Line Number	Students				PAROCHIAL						Valuation of Church Prope					
					Church Societies											
					Men's		Women's		Young People							
	Ministry	Deaconess	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses	Endowment	Other Property	
	North Platte Conference															
1	1		1	1			2	47	1	24	15000	4000				3
2							1	15	1	13	3500				7	4
3			1	6			1	25	1	22	15000	2000				3
4																
5			2	8	1	38	4	74	2	100	25000	5000				2
6	4		5	5	1	30	6	200	4	94	100000	7000				1
7				3			1	18	1	9	3000	900				1
8			1	4	1	10	3	85	1	23	15000	5000				5
9				2			1	25			3500					9
10	1						2	39	2	46	15000	7500				3
11	1			1			2	34	1	28	18000				600	8
12					1	22	3	66	1	35	20000	1200				1
13	4				1	50	7	434	9	329	425000		15000	3306	107962	6
14			1	2	1	35	2	47	3	70	20000					7
15	2		2		1	25	2	88	4	54	80000					1
16				8	1	11	2	54	3	55	20000	5000				1
17				4			2	47	1	45	20000	5000				4
18			2	1			3	58	3	135	24500					7
19			4	2			1	20	2	54	14400	2500				5
20				8			2	47	2	34	12000	4000				9
21			4	13	1	30	2	96	1	30	45000	7000				1
22																
	13		23	68	9	251	49	1519	43	1200	893900	58100	15000	3306	108562	1
	South Platte Conference															
1					1	12	3	48	2	35	25000	2000				2
2							4	82	1	27	25000	7500				8
3			4	1	25		1	17	1	9	9000	5000				4
4			4				2	74	3	99	26000	7500				7
5							1	24			2000					1
6			3	2			3	92	1	22	14000	4000				3
7				1			1	30			3000	5000			500	2
8				3			2	59	1	15	20000	6000				0
9	1	2	1	17	2	65	4	118	4	146	15000	5000			15000	0
10				2			2	15	1	35	8000	2000				3
11							1	36	1	20	9000	3500				6
12				2			4	61			8000	4000				2
13			3	2	1	22	1	32	3	89	8000	4000			1100	7
14				1			1	11			2000	1700				4
15			1	1			1	14	3	67	15000	1800		500		5
16				4			1	20			6000	1000				9
17	1		1	4			3	73	1	15	4650	2500				4
18				1	1	20	3	82	1	16	4500	4500				3
	2	2	13	44	6	144	38	888	23	595	204150	67000		500	16600	5
	Western Conference															
1				1			1	25			4000					9
2											1200					7
3			3	6			3	105	3	85	33000				10000	8
4	3						1	17	1	30	4000					4
5											9000	4000				
6	1						1	24	1	17	5800					9
7	1		5	9	1	25	3	181	4	98	100000	10000				4
8				1			1	30	1	8	4000	4500				0
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10											4000	2000				4
11				1			1	30	1	16	7000	4000				9
12							1	14			1150					2
13							2	45	2	41	12000	2500				2
14			1	2			1	15			4000					4
15			1	3			1	36	2	42	5000	1500				2
16																
	5		11	23	1	25	18	606	15	337	199150	30500			10000	1
	20	2	47	135	16	420	105	3013	81	2132	1297200	153600	15000	3806	135162	8
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